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New Organization Meets during Culture Week

The first annual meeting of the North Carolina Genealogical Society was held on Thursday of Culture Week, November 12-16. This new organization joined thirteen other statewide associations. Meetings, luncheons, dinners, receptions, and granting of awards kept members and their guests busy each day of the week. Reports of the activities of the several societies are given below.

North Carolina Literary and Historical Association

The climax for members of the association occurred on Friday, November 15, when the Sir Walter Raleigh, Mayflower, and Christopher Crittenden awards were announced following the evening address of the Honorable Ivor Richard, permanent representative of the United Kingdom to the United Nations, who spoke on the topic, "British Views of the American Colonies

Top, left: Author Doris Betts, left, twice winner of the Sir Walter Raleigh Award, received a check in lieu of the usual statuette; the award was announced by Miss Olivia Burwell, right. Top, right: Mrs. Helen Bevington won the Mayflower Society Award for her many literary achievements; she received the cup from Samuel B. Dees. Left: The Christopher Crittenden Memorial Award went to Old Salem; Arthur Spaugh, left, received the cup from Dr. H. G. Jones, right. (Photos by Division of Archives and History.)

Four of the speakers at the Literary and Historical Association meetings are pictured here. Dr. Robert F. Durden, top, left, was one of the morning speakers and Dr. Elizabeth Phillips, top, right, was the luncheon speaker. Bottom, left, is Dr. Henry Stroupe, who spoke at the dinner meeting and presided at the evening session; bottom, right, is Ivor Richard, the evening speaker.

on the Eve of the Revolution." The Sir Walter Raleigh Award for the best fiction of the year was presented by Miss Olivia B. Burwell of Greensboro on behalf of the Historical Book Club of North Carolina to Doris Betts of Sanford for her book of short stories, *Beasts of the Southern Wild.* The Mayflower Society Award for nonfiction, presented by Samuel B. Dees on behalf of the Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of North Carolina, went to Mrs. Helen Smith Bevington of Durham for "outstanding literary achievement over a period of years." Old Salem received the Christopher Crittenden Memorial Award for its "development of a program of interpretation by which the spirit and culture of that period of our state's history has been brought back to life." The award was presented by Dr. H. G. Jones and was accepted by Mr. Arthur Spaugh, president of Old Salem, Inc. Dr. Henry Stroupe, president of the Literary and Historical Association, presided at the evening meeting. A reception honored officers and winners at the conclusion of the program.

Dr. Stroupe gave his presidential address at the dinner meeting, taking as his topic " 'Cite Them Both to Attend the Next Church Conference': Social Control by North Carolina Baptist Churches, 1772-1908." Mrs. Margaret Harper, vice-president, presided.

At the morning program, with Dr. William E. King, vice-president, presiding, Professor Roger V. Whitener of Boone presented his paper on "North Carolina Nonfiction, 1973-1974." He was followed by Dr. Robert F. Durden of Duke University whose topic was "A Half Century Ago: The Origins of the Duke Endowment and Duke University." Awards presented during the morning session were the American Association of University Women Award for Juvenile Literature, presented by Dr. Gloria Blanton, president, to Mrs. Suzanne Newton for her book, *C/o Arnold's Corners*; the Roanoke-Chowan Poetry Award, presented by Hargus Taylor of Murfreesboro, convenor of the Roanoke-Chowan Group, to Campbell Reeves for her book of poetry, *Coming out Even*; and American Association for State and Local History Awards, presented by Dr. H. G. Jones: a certificate of commendation to the Country Doctor Museum Foundation of Bailey, accepted by Dr. Josephine F. Newell; awards of merit to the Smith Richardson Foundation for its incentive grants for historical projects, accepted for the foundation by Dr. Robert E. Stipe; and to Dr. Hugh T. Lefler for his major contributions to North Carolina history through his writings. Dr. Lefler was also made an honorary life member of the Literary and Historical Association.

Dr. Max R. Williams of Cullowhee presided at the luncheon meeting. Speaker was Dr. Elizabeth Phillips of Wake Forest University whose topic was "North Carolina Fiction, Poetry, and Juvenile Literature, 1973-1974." Two awards given by the Historical Society of North Carolina were presented by Mrs. Memory F. Mitchell, the society's outgoing president. The Undergraduate Student Award for the best undergraduate research paper in North Carolina history went to Mr. Austin M. Allran, a Duke graduate who is now a law student at Southern Methodist University, for "John Godfrey Arends: A Biographical Sketch." The R. D. W. Connor Award for the best article in the *North Carolina Historical Review* was made to Mr. James M. Clifton for his article, "Golden Grains of White: Rice Planting on the Lower Cape Fear," which was published in the Autumn, 1973, issue.

New officers of the association are Mrs. Margaret Harper of Southport, president; Dr. William E. King, Dr. Max R. Williams, and Mr. Henry Lewis, vice-presidents; Dr. H. G. Jones, secretary-treasurer; and Mrs. Memory F.

Left: Dr. H. G. Jones, far left, presented AASLH awards to the Country Doctor Museum Foundation, Dr. Hugh T. Lefler, and the Smith Richardson Foundation. Dr. Josephine F. Newell, Dr. Lefler, and Dr. Robert E. Stipe are standing, left to right, with Dr. Jones. Dr. Newell received the award for the Bailey museum and Dr. Stipe accepted the award for the Smith Richardson. Foundation. Right: Mrs. Memory F. Mitchell hands a certificate to Mr. James M. Clifton, winner of the Robert D. W. Connor Award.

Mitchell, Miss Mae Grimmer, Mr. Donald R. Lennon, and Mr. John R. Woodard, members of the executive board. Recognition was paid to the work of Mrs. Virginia Currie, assistant secretary-treasurer, who resigned her post at the end of Culture Week.

Roanoke Island Historical Association

The first organization to meet during Culture Week was the Roanoke Island Historical Association. A board of directors meeting was held prior to the luncheon meeting on November 12; at the luncheon Mrs. William C. Friday, chairman, presided. A report on *The Lost Colony* was presented by Johnny Blizzard, acting general manager; Mrs. Margaret Rose Sanford reported for the Morrison Award Committee that the award would be presented to Mr. Edwin Gill for his contribution to the arts in formal ceremonies to be held in the summer. The luncheon speaker, Mr. Paul Green, was introduced by Mr. Mark Sumner; Mr. Green discussed his experiences in writing outdoor symphonic dramas, which developed from his prior experiences in New York and Hollywood.

North Carolina Federation of Music Clubs

The federation met on the afternoon of November 12 and heard a program by the Raleigh Boys' Choir; the federation's 1974 scholarship winner, Paul Emerson, Jr.; and harpsichordist Paul Emerson, Sr. Mrs. David W. Karr presided at the dinner meeting that night. The 1974 Hinda Honigman Composers Cup was awarded to Loonis McGlohon for his composition "Waltz for a Toy Ballerina." Mr. McGlohon played his winning composition for those in attendance. Mr. L. Guilford Daugherty, general manager of the North Carolina Symphony, then spoke on the subject "Music Our Heritage." Following the dinner meeting, members of the federation adjourned to Raleigh's Memorial Auditorium where they heard a concert by the North Carolina Symphony with Van Cliburn as guest soloist.

North Carolina Art Society

The November 13 business meeting of the society was held at the Archives and History-State Library Building, with Mrs. Isaac Manly presiding. A slide program on recent acquisitions at the Museum of Art was presented by the museum's director, Mr. Moussa Domit. Members and their guests enjoyed a catered buffet luncheon at the museum's Kress Galleries.

A reception preceding the dinner meeting honored Mrs. R. L. McMillan of Raleigh, a founder of the Art Society, and Mrs. George W. Paschal, Jr., longtime art patron. A painting was presented to the museum by the Art Society in honor of Mrs. Paschal. Award winners were announced at the dinner; these included Thomas W. Spence of Chapel Hill, first-place winner, for his painting "Marine Doing Pushups"; and Maud F. Gatewood of Charlotte for "Light Snow," Thomas E. Link of Raleigh for "La Vol de Persephone," Noyes Capehart of Boone for "Laughter of Yesterday's Children," Robert Doares of Salisbury for "Sunday Afternoon at Bessie Julian's Place," and Melvin Stanforth of Greenville for "Acid-Mold-Rust-Chart I." The dinner address was given by Madame Rosamond Bernier, international lecturer, writer, and art critic who talked about cultural events in the year

1907. A reception and the opening of the 1974 North Carolina Artists' Exhibition concluded the events of the day.

Officers elected by the North Carolina Art Society are: Mrs. Isaac V. Manly of Raleigh, president; Mrs. Charles M. Reeves, Jr., of Sanford, vice-president; and Mr. Charles Lee Smith, Jr., of Raleigh, secretary-treasurer. Directors, in addition to Mrs. Manly and Mr. Smith, are Mrs. Ella Fountain Pratt of Durham and Mrs. James B. Turner, Jr., of Raleigh.

Historic Preservation Society of North Carolina

The morning session followed a breakfast meeting of the directors; the general session was held at the Sir Walter Hotel, with Mrs. Henry C. Zenke, president, presiding. The chairman of the Incentive Awards Committee, Miss Gertrude S. Carraway, announced that the society's incentive awards of $300, a certificate, and a free institutional membership for one year, were going to the Malcolm Blue Historical Society for its restoration of the Malcolm Blue House and to the Nash County Historical Society for restoration of Stonewall, the Lewis House, of Rocky Mount. The former award was accepted by Mrs. Martha Clayton, president of the Malcolm Blue society; the latter by Dr. Margaret Battle, vice-president of the Nash group.

Reports were given on preservation projects as follows: Dolley Madison Birthplace Memorial, William J. Moore of the Greensboro Historical Museum; Propst House, Mrs. Frances Moody of the Hickory Landmarks Society; Ruffin-Roulhac House-City Hall Restoration, Mayor Fred Cates of Hillsborough (who was introduced by Mr. Cecil Sanford of Hillsborough); the Van Der Veer House by Capt. Henry Bridgers of the Historic Bath Commission; Fort Defiance by Mr. Edwin S. Hartshorn of Lenoir who substituted for Miss Margaret Harper of the Fort Defiance Foundation, Inc.; and State of North Carolina Projects by Mr. A. L. Honeycutt, Jr., of the Historic Sites Section, Division of Archives and History. All reports were accompanied by slides.

Mrs. Zenke presided at the dinner meeting at which time Mr. John G. Newton, marine superintendent, Oceanographic Program, Duke University Marine Laboratory, spoke on "A Cooperative Exploration of North Carolina Shipwrecks," which was also illustrated with slides. Awards were made

Left to right are Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Zenke, Mr. R. V. Asbury, and Mr. Ray Wilkinson, recipients of Cannon Cups. The winners were pictured following the evening meeting of the Historic Preservation Society.

following the address. Mr. Turner Williams, on behalf of the North Carolina Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, presented awards for the Charles B. Aycock Birthplace and Hezekiah Alexander House restorations. Ruth Coltrane Cannon Cups were presented to Mr. R. V. Asbury, Jr., of Wilmington for his work in southeastern North Carolina, particularly Wilmington; to Mr. Ray S. Wilkinson for his efforts in aiding in the restoration of Historic Halifax in particular and North Carolina in general; and to Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Zenke for their services to the field of restoration in North Carolina and their leadership in many preservation projects. The cups were presented by Mr. John E. Tyler, chairman of the Cannon Cup committee.

Officers elected at the morning meeting are: Dr. Banks C. Talley, Jr., president; Mr. Thomas A. Gray, vice-president; Mr. Bruce MacDougal, secretary-treasurer; Mr. Frank Stephenson, Jr., Mrs. Sarah Brinson, Mrs. Copeland Kell, Mrs. Bailey Wiliamson, Mrs. J. H. Winkler, Mr. William J. Moore, Mrs. Thomas A. Wright, Jr., Mr. Ed Clement, Mrs. Jean Boggs, Mrs. H. Leslie Moody, Dr. Harley E. Jolley, vice-presidents for the congressional districts; and Miss Gertrude S. Carraway, Mr. John E. Tyler, Dr. Stephen Dennis, Mrs. John Labouisse, and Mrs. Lura Talley, directors. Ex officio members are Mrs. Zenke, Mr. MacDougal, and Dr. Robert E. Stipe. The Nominating Committee report was made by Mr. William J. Moore.

North Carolina Symphony Society

Speaking at a luncheon meeting of the society, held at the Velvet Cloak Motor Hotel, was Mr. John S. Edwards, general manager of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra. Trustees of the society met following the luncheon.

North Carolina Museums Council

Winner of the fourth annual North Carolina Museums Council Award was Mr. Russell I. Peithman, director of the Charlotte Nature Museum, for his achievements in the museums field. The council members heard Mr. L. Douglas Waldorf, director of the Roanoke Island Historical Park, speak on "Interpretive Demonstrations from Early Carolina."

Officers elected at the annual meeting are: William J. Moore, director of the Greensboro Historical Museum, president; Cleve K. Scarbrough, direc-

Russell I. Peithman, left, received the North Carolina Museums Council Award; the presentation was made by William J. Moore, president of the council.

tor, Mint Museum of Art, Charlotte, vice-president, reelected; John D. Ellington, administrator, North Carolina Museum of History, Raleigh, secretary-treasurer.

North Carolina Genealogical Society

Following a luncheon at the Sir Walter Hotel, the first annual meeting of the organization was held the afternoon of November 14. Presiding was Dr. Charles R. Holloman, president. Addresses were given by Dr. Holloman, who spoke on "Settlers in Neuse River Country Prior to 1715," and by Mr. Robert Young Clay, archivist of the Virginia State Archives in Richmond, whose topic was "Genealogical Research in Virginia Records."

North Carolina Arts Council

A luncheon meeting for members of the board of the Arts Council was held at the City Club in the Hotel Sir Walter on November 15.

North Carolina Folklore Society

President Charles W. Joyner of Laurinburg presided at the afternoon session on November 15. Participants in the program were W. Amos Abrams of Raleigh, Marshall Ward of Boone, the Reedy Creek Ramblers of Raleigh, Byron Schulken of Whiteville, and the North Carolina State University International Folk Dance Club directed by Mrs. Robert Ward. A variety of music, folk tales, and other entertaining selections was presented. All officers were reelected for another term: Mr. Joyner, president; Sylvia Lyons of Durham, first vice-president; F. Roy Johnson of Murfreesboro, second vice-president; Lena Mayberry of Spindale, third vice-president; and Harry C. West of Raleigh, secretary-treasurer.

Brown-Hudson Awards for contributions to folklore were presented by Mr. Abrams for ballad-collecting and scholarship; to Benjamin W. Washburn of Rutherfordton, for work in folktales and folk medicine; and to Edd and Nettie Presnell of Banner Elk for their creative craftsmanship in making and playing dulcimers.

Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of North Carolina Historical Book Club of North Carolina

The two organizations honored their officers and winners of the Mayflower and Sir Walter Raleigh awards at a coffee hour held at the Governor's Inn, Research Triangle Park, on Saturday morning, November 16.

North Carolina Poetry Society

The society met the morning of November 16 at the Sir Walter Hotel with Dr. Ann Deagon presiding. Mrs. Caldwell W. Nixon, a native of Henderson who now lives in Denver, was the luncheon speaker; she read from her work and discussed her experiences in writing and publishing poetry. Workshops were held for sharing and criticizing poetry written by members of the society. Kathryn Bright Gurkin led the workshop on the sonnet and traditional forms; John Pipkin, free verse; Ruby Shackleford, haiku; and Sam

McKay, free verse. Plans were made for poetry workshops throughout the state; interested persons should contact Dr. Deagon at Guilford College, Greensboro.

North Carolina Society of County and Local Historians

President Hector MacLean of Lumberton presided at the morning meeting. Speaker for the occasion was Dr. Ralph Hardee Rives of Greenville. Several awards were presented. The Robert Bruce Cooke Award, which is given biennially, went to Charles Richard Sanders for his book, *The Cameron Plantation in Central North Carolina (1776-1973) and Its Founder Richard Bennehan*; first runner-up was *A Study of the Barbee Families of Chatham, Orange, and Wake Counties in North Carolina*, compiled by Ruth Herndon Shields, Belle Lewter West, and Kathryn Crossley Stone. The 1974 Smithwick Award for the best newspaper or magazine story on North Carolina history went to Mrs. Helen R. Watson of Rocky Mount for her story on Gen. Francis Nash; second place went to Mr. Homer Keever of Statesville for his articles on the city's history.

Officers elected by the society are: Claude Moore of Turkey, president; Mrs. Mary Jane McCrary of Brevard, first vice-president; Mrs. W. Fred Nix of Gibsonville, second vice-president; Mr. Joseph W. Watson of Rocky Mount, third vice-president; Mrs. Margaret McMahan of Fayetteville, secretary; and the Rev. Donald McMahan of Fayetteville, treasurer.

Reed Gold Mine Receives Stamp Mill

Construction is currently in progress at the Reed Gold Mine State Historic Site in Cabarrus County on the re-erection of a ten-stamp ore crushing mill. The mill, originally made by the Mecklenburg Iron Works of Charlotte, is similar to a mill which stood at the Reed in the 1890s. These stamp mills, once common throughout the mining district of North Carolina, are becoming increasingly scarce; the mill being rebuilt at the Reed was obtained from another famous Tar Heel mine.

J. Harold Nash, a school administrator and mining expert from Kannapolis, is serving as consultant and project director for the operation. His

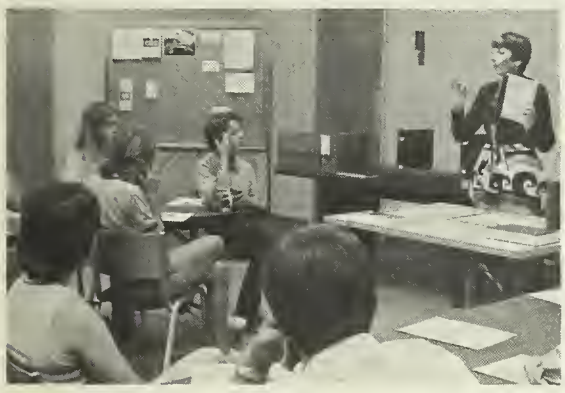
The camshaft assembly is shown as it is being unloaded at the Reed Gold Mine. Left, the bullwheel to the left was connected by a belt to the power source; mortar boxes are pictured on the ground at the left. Ore was actually crushed in mortars. Wayne Miller, construction superintendent of the project, is pictured to the left of the bullwheel. Right, cams are shown in the foreground and the bullwheel in the background. Individuals pictured in this photograph are, left to right, Bill Grist and Gerald Almond, employees at Reed Gold Mine, and Wayne Miller.

crew has poured a reinforced concrete base upon which to set the heavy cast iron mill. Special lumber will be used to replace some of the partially rotted original timbers of the mill. The cast iron parts will be sandblasted and finished with a suitable preservative. When reassembled, the multiton mill will be over 20 feet high and 16 feet wide. Mr. Nash will accomplish his task in such a way that the mill can be put in full operating condition for living historical demonstrations at a future date.

NCSU Utilizes Archives in Experimental Program

The "Transition Course," an experiment in group learning for fifty-five freshmen at North Carolina State University, began its second year with a scholarly project utilizing original source materials in the Archives. The result of their research was organized and presented to the public in a multimedia reader's theater program, "1864—A State Divided," at Stewart Theater on the campus October 2.

In July the professors guiding these selected freshmen, Dr. Mike Reynolds and Marilyn Brandt of the English department and Tom Kearney of the history department, met with the staff in the Archives to explore possible topics for the second half of the nineteenth century and to check on collections and finding aids available in the Search Room. Because of the large number of Civil War records in the Archives and the inherent drama of a war, this topic was eventually selected.



Left, Mrs. Ellen Z. McGrew is shown giving an orientation lecture in the North Carolina State Archives; right, a group of students are performing "1864—A State Divided," which grew out of the work done in the Archives.

In August staff in the Archives met with the students for an orientation lecture on resources of the Search Room and specific use of Civil War finding aids. Using diaries, newspapers, governors' papers, and private manuscript collections, the students spent 330 hours in research and compiled 500 note cards, which were edited to thirty-one cards as source material for a script written by six student writers. The script, using the exact words of the youthful war-weary soldiers, the work-worn anxious women, the harassed governor, and both unionists and old secessionists hoping for a negotiated settlement, was highlighted by slides of photographs of the period, as well as Civil War music played and sung by the students.

That the students and the audience of several hundred shared a new dimension of history was explicit in Chancellor John Caldwell's comment after attending the performance. "Seeing the Civil War through the eyes of individuals was a new experience. I had not been raised on this view."

Fessenden Film Presented to Canada

Dr. Wilfred I. Smith, dominion archivist (left), Dr. Thornton W. Mitchell, North Carolina state archivist (center), and Mr. J. M. Akita, director of the National Archives of Ghana (right) were pictured at the Canadian luncheon held in Toronto on October 3 in connection with the Society of American Archivists. Dr. Mitchell presented to the Public Archives of Canada, on behalf of the state of North Carolina, a microfilm copy (part of which is shown) of the papers of Reginald A. Fessenden. Photograph by Public Archives of Canada.

Taxi Brings Researchers from Tennessee to Raleigh

Of the 10,824 researchers who had registered in the Search Room during the past year, the most unusual were two brothers in Tennessee who had written the Archives in October, asking about land owned by their grandfather in western North Carolina. Told that such research would require a personal visit to the Archives, the brothers, dressed in overalls and caps, went to the town nearest their farm, hailed a taxi, and directed the cab driver to take them to Raleigh.

In the Search Room they were assisted by Mrs. Minnie Peebles who guided them to estates papers in a number of western counties and who was in touch by telephone with the land grant office in the secretary of state's office. In two short hours the men, acting on the advice of their lawyer, had gathered the information to support their claim to their grandfather's land. Pleased with their success, they and the cab driver left the Search Room and headed back to Tennessee.

SBI and Human Resources Regional Records Being Studied

The State Records Branch is presently extending its records management services to the State Bureau of Investigation of the North Carolina Department of Justice. This project consists of a complete revision of the Records Retention and Disposition Schedule (prepared in 1959), recommendations concerning files organization and management, and other information-handling procedures in the bureau.

Another important facet of this project relates to the records kept in the eight district offices of the bureau. Uniform disposition standards have been prepared to govern the retention of these files, which comprise about 22 percent of the 1,400 cubic feet of records in the bureau.

When this project is completed it should result in significant reductions in the costs of maintaining and storing the records of the SBI.

In 1972 the Department of Human Resources designated four cities as regional headquarters in order to provide more effective supervision of delivery of services within locally administered, state-supervised programs.

Many of the functions of these programs formerly housed in the central office in Raleigh were transferred to the regional headquarters. Agencies affected by regionalization of services were: Division of Social Services, Division of Health Services, Division of Mental Health Services, Division of Blind Services, and the Manpower Division.

Recently the assistant director for local operations of the Division of Social Services contacted the State Records Branch requesting assistance in setting up files for the Social Services regional offices. A records management analyst from the State Records Branch staff visited the Asheville regional office and, on the basis of a study of the records there and lists of files sent in by the three other regional offices, developed a standard filing plan for Social Services/Local Operations.

Eventually similar standard filing plans and records retention schedules will be prepared for regional offices of the other divisions of the Department of Human Resources.

Price Increases Announced

The North Carolina State Archives announces that effective January 1 the cost of some photocopying, transcription, and document lamination services performed for its patrons was increased. The cost of small (up to 12" x 18") Photostat copies were increased to $1.00; the cost of negative microfilming was increased to $.10 per frame or image. The cost per 8½" x 11" sheet for document restoration also was increased to $1.00. The major change made is that the number of Xerox copies made for a patron is limited to fifty; material in excess of fifty copies will be duplicated by microfilming. These changes are announced in a revision of Archives Information Circular No. 5, a copy of which may be obtained free from the North Carolina State Archives, 109 E. Jones St., Raleigh, 27611, by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

The price of some of the publications issued through the Historical Publications Section has also been raised. The rapid increase in the cost of initial printing and reprints has created the need for the first general increase in many years. A list of publications which reflects the new prices may be obtained from the section upon request.

New Publications Available

Rowan County: A Brief History, by James S. Brawley, is available for $1.50 per copy. This 178-page booklet is another in the series of county histories being published by the Division of Archives and History; its publication was made possible by a grant from the Smith Richardson Foundation, Inc. Beth Crabtree's book, *North Carolina Governors, 1585-1975: Brief Sketches*, is now available for $3.00. This book is a revised edition of the earlier publication; it contains sketches of North Carolina's recent governors, including Governor Holshouser, as well as those of the years gone by. Appendixes which being together heretofore scattered information add greatly to the usefulness of the book. A particularly interesting feature of the new edition is reproduction of signatures of many of North Carolina's former chief executives. The two books may be ordered from the Historical Publications Section of the Division of Archives and History at 109 E. Jones St., Raleigh, 27611.

The index to the 1974 issues of *Carolina Comments* will be completed soon and will be sent without charge to those who request it.

Thirteen Houses Added to National Register

Thirteen houses recently added to the National Register of Historic Places are pictured on these two pages. Top, left, Vernon, Wayne County; right, Waverly Plantation, Person County. Middle, left, Perkins House, Catawba County; right, Gardner House, Guilford County. Bottom left, Mount Mourne, Iredell County; Matthew Moore House, Stokes County.

Top, left, Shelton, Chowan County; right, Hill Airy, Granville County. Middle, left, Wakefields, Wake County; right, Powell House, Wake County. Bottom left, Tusculum, Warren County; right, John A. Mason House, Chatham County.

Left, Wilkinson-Dozier House, Edgecombe County.

Museum Publishes Catalog

The Museum of History recently opened an exhibit, "Artistry in Quilts." To accompany the exhibit there is a catalog which pictures the patterns used in the 120 items in the display. Information about the history of quilting and about the art itself is also included. The booklet may be ordered from the Museum of History of the Division of Archives and History for $1.50.

Centennial Observed at Duke Homestead

On October 20 the one-hundredth anniversary of Washington Duke's departure from the homestead for Durham was observed at the Duke Homestead State Historic Site. Cosponsors of the event were the Tobacco History Corporation, the Historic Preservation Society of Durham, and the Division of Archives and History. Participants on the program were the Rev. Morris L. Barber, Dr. Richard F. Knapp, Mr. Herbert C. Bradshaw, Mrs. R. B. Cooke, Mr. Clark Jones, and Dr. Robert F. Durden. Mr. Bradshaw, president of the Tobacco History Corporation, and Mrs. Cooke, program chairman of the Historic Preservation Society, gave brief remarks; Mr. Jones, a balladeer, illustrated historical interpretation through song; and Mr. Durden, chairman of the Department of History at Duke, spoke on "The Dukes of Durham." Mr. Barber gave the invocation and Dr. Knapp brought greetings from the Division of Archives and History. Guided tours of the homestead followed; refreshments were provided by the Historic Preservation Society of Durham, whose president is Mrs. Egbert Haywood.

Counties Designated as Bicentennial Communities

The American Revolution Bicentennial Administration in Washington, D.C., has listed twenty-three cities and/or counties as Bicentennial Communities. These are appointed by locally elected governing bodies; they must draw on all sectors of the community and must reflect not only varied interests but must describe a proposed program. Approval is given by the North Carolina American Revolution Bicentennial Committee, and official designation is made by the Bicentennial Administration in Washington.

The list of places, and the chairmen, are as follows: Alleghany County, Mr. John Woodruff; Washington/Beaufort County, Dr. Roland Modlin; Winston-Salem/Forsyth County, Mrs. Ruth Mills Kipp; New Bern/Craven County, Mr. Joseph Freemon, Jr.; Goldsboro, Mr. H. Martin Lancaster and Mrs. Geneva Stokes; Wilmington/New Hanover County, Mr. Walser Allen, Jr., and Col. Robert S. Milner; Stanly County, Mr. Richard Brown III; Iredell County, Mrs. J. S. Evans, Jr.; Lincoln County, Mrs. Jane Wilson; Yadkin County, Mr. Lloyd Pardue; Carteret County, Mrs. Copeland Kell; Rowan County, Mr. James B. Lloyd; Randolph County, Dr. Joseph Suggs; Davidson County, Dr. James Bingham; Surry County, Mr. Edward Spanski; Southport, Mr. Bill Faulk; Ashe County, Mr. J. Gwyn Gambill; Caswell County, Mr. Larry Witt; Nash County, Mrs. Ruby Milgrom; Dare County, Mr. Mark Basnight; Columbia/Tyrrell County, Mrs. Mildred Ogletree; Guilford County, Mr. J. H. Froelich, Jr.; and Madison County, Dr. Evelyn Underwood.

Tryon Palace Commission Has New Members

New members of the commission are Mrs. James M. Tyler of Kinston, Mrs. A. Paul Kitchen of Wadesboro, Mrs. Eleanor D. Hawkins of Cove City, George Allen Ives, Jr., of New Bern, Mrs. William S. R. Beane of Wrightsville Beach, and Mrs. Jean Williams Prevost of Tryon. They were sworn in by Justice Dan K. Moore of the North Carolina Supreme Court on October 27. Mrs. John A. Kellenberger of Greensboro, commission chairman, presided over all meetings.

News of Archives and History Staff

Mr. Donald R. Taylor was promoted to the position of Tryon Palace administrator, replacing Mr. Michael Brantley who is now art museum curator at the North Carolina Museum of Art in Raleigh. Both Mr. Taylor and Mr. Brantley assumed their new positions December 1.

The Archives and Records Section has several staff members who have received promotions and several new employees. Miss Cathy Jackson of the Archives Branch was promoted to archivist II, effective November 1, replacing Miss Suzanne Smith who resigned to be married. Among other responsibilities Miss Jackson will be responsible for recording the accessions to the Archives. She is a graduate of Wake Forest University and has done further graduate work in history at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and at North Carolina State University. Mr. Jesse R. Lankford, a native of Winston-Salem, was promoted to archivist II in the capacity of iconographic archivist. Mr. Lankford is a graduate of Western Carolina University and holds an M.A. in history from that institution. Mrs. Michelle F. Lawing, a native of Leesburg, Virginia, was appointed an archivist trainee in the Archives Branch effective November 1. She is a graduate of Meredith College. Mr. Charles Edward Morris of Wilson was appointed an archivist I in the Archives Branch effective December 1. Mr. Morris is a graduate of Campbell College and anticipates receiving his M.A. in history from North Carolina State University in May. Mr. Robert Gilliam, a student at Shaw University, was appointed as a part-time housekeeping assistant I in the Archives Branch effective October 21.

Miss Mary C. Tsui was appointed as a records management trainee in the State Records Branch on November 15; Miss Peggy Mohrmann, records management analyst I, resigned October 31 to accept a position with the Department of Transportation and Highway Safety.

In the Local Records Branch Mr. Ronald Vestal and Mr. David Bradshaw, clerk III field microfilm camera operators, joined the staff on September 1 and November 1, respectively.

Several changes also occurred in the Museums Section. Walton Haywood of Pittsboro, with a degree in RTVMP from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, replaced Carla Block as a photographic assistant in the Museum of History. Harvey (Johnny) Johnson of Raleigh, a retired restaurant manager, joined the museum staff as guard.

John Ellington, administrator of the Museum of History, was elected editor, *Inside SEMC,* the in-house publication of the Southeastern Museums Conference.

Patrick Garrow and Woody NeSmith of the Archaeology Section recently conducted a one-week excavation at the Wheeler House in Murfreesboro. The

Wheeler House is currently undergoing restoration, and the purpose of the excavation was to locate the remains of nineteenth century outbuildings and to check the research potential of the site. The excavation uncovered traces of a foundation and cellar and the outline of a recently filled well. The recovered materials included Indian pottery and a fairly large number of early nineteenth century artifacts. A complete description of the excavation results will be forthcoming after the analysis and site assessments are finished.

Mrs. Memory F. Mitchell, historical publications administrator, represented the Division of Archives and History at the Southern Historical Association in Dallas, Texas, November 6-9.

Several new employees were on duty at the state historic sites in recent months. They are Dorothy Booher, grounds maintenance person at Thomas Wolfe Memorial; Carol Johnson, historic site assistant at Caswell-*Neuse*; Jerry Kennedy, grounds maintenance man, Brunswick Town, and Jane Shetterly, historic site assistant at Brunswick Town. Everett Balderson was promoted to historic site assistant at Fort Fisher, and Donovan Taylor was assigned as grounds maintenance man.

Members of the Historic Sites Section attended a number of meetings and made speeches in many localities. Ruth Little-Stokes, survey specialist; Jerry Cross, researcher; Samuel P. Townsend, assistant administrator; and Bruce MacDougal, administrator, spoke to various groups in Fayetteville, Raleigh, Norwood, Cary, Winston-Salem, and Wilmington.

Mr. MacDougal accompanied Archives and History Director Robert E. Stipe to the National Trust for Historic Preservation annual convention held in Portland, Oregon, in October. Edward F. Turberg, restoration specialist, attended the Oktoberfest in Asheville in October and was one of the featured speakers, talking on "Frederick Law Olmsted at Biltmore"; he later assisted with the tour of the Biltmore House. Michael O. Smith, furnishings specialist, attended an AASLH-sponsored seminar in Cooperstown, New York, on "The Use of Crafts by the Museum," also in October. Archie C. Smith, Jr., site manager at Town Creek Indian Mound, attended the Southeast Archaeological Conference in Atlanta.

Vance Birthplace in Weaverville celebrated a Pioneer Living Day on October 20.

Obituaries

Mrs. Undine Hux Caudle, the first treasurer of the Halifax County Historical Association, and a resident of Halifax who was for many years involved in the work of Colonial Halifax, died on September 25.

Colleges and Universities

Catawba College

C. Gregg Singer published an article on Van Til's philosophy of history in *Foundations of Christian Scholarship* late in 1974 and has scheduled for publication early in 1975 a book, *The Unholy Alliance.*

East Carolina University

On November 9 Dr. Herbert R. Paschal spoke to the Major Benjamin May

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Raleigh, N. C.

Chapter of the DAR on "The USA Bicentennial." Dr. William M. Still, Jr., was awarded a $1,000 grant by the UNC-Marine Science Council to assist in compiling an annotated bibliography of sources for a maritime history of the state. Dr. Mary Jo Bratton presided at one of the sessions of the Association for the Study of Afro-American Life and History held in Philadelphia October 23-27; the topic for discussion was "Blacks in Religion." Dr. Richard C. Todd was awarded an honorary membership in the East Carolina League of University Scholars during ECU Scholarship Weekend, held October 26-28. Dr. Todd has established a scholarship fund to be known as the Richard Cecil Todd Scholarship for Undergraduate Scholars in History; initially the fund will support one annual scholarship, but it is anticipated that eventually it will support a series of stipends to be given to upperclassmen majoring in history.

Guilford College

On November 3 Henry G. Hood spoke at the Unitarian Church in Winston-Salem on "Aspects of Early Unitarianism." Dr. Alexander R. Stoesen was reappointed to the Membership Committee of the Organization of American Historians.

North Carolina State University

Dr. William C. Harris served as commentator for a session entitled "Radical Republicans: North and South," at the Southern Historical Association in Dallas on November 8.

Queens College

Dr. Norris Preyer spoke at the annual meeting of Phi Theta Kappa students from all junior and community colleges of North Carolina and South Carolina on "The American Revolution as a Civil War." The meeting was held in Charlotte on October 26.

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Dr. J. Carlyle Sitterson, Kenan Professor of History, has asked that the following notice concerning a vacancy at the university be included in *Carolina Comments:*

Assistant professor to teach and engage in research in North Carolina history with special emphasis on the period since 1835. Candidates must be prepared to make a full commitment to North Carolina history and the committee will give priority to candidates demonstrating such commitment. Ph.D. or the equivalent required. The university is an equal opportunity employer committed to affirmative action. Address inquiries to Professor J. C. Sitterson, chairman of the search committee on a North Carolina historian.

Prof. Samuel H. Baron organized and chaired a session on "Urbanization and Social Classes in 18th Century Russia" at the International Slavic Conference held at Banff, Canada, in September. At the Carolinas Symposium on British Studies held at Appalachian State University on October 12 and 13 Prof. Stephen Baxter gave a paper in a panel on research facilities in the Carolinas. Mrs. Barbara Schnorrenberg delivered a paper entitled "Three

Eighteenth-Century Female Utopias." At a meeting of the Middle East Studies Association in Boston on November 6-10, Prof. Herbert L. Bodman chaired a session, which he organized, on "Aspects of Umayyad History." Plans were also laid for the formation of a Southeastern Section of the Middle East Studies Association.

Prof. Lamar Cecil is a member of the Higby Prize Committee of the American Historical Association. Prof. J. Isaac Copeland on November 21 spoke on the Southern Historical Collection to Hendersonville Friends of the Public Library. Prof. W. M. McCoy presented a paper entitled "Thrasyllos" at the meeting of the Classical Association of the Middle West and South, Southern Section, at Lexington, Kentucky, in late October. Prof. Richard W. Pfaff is a member of the North Carolina Selection Committee for the Rhodes Scholarship competition. Prof. William S. Powell was a commentator at a session on Historic Preservation at the meeting of the Southern Historical Association in Dallas, Texas, in November.

At a Colloquium on Zaire, sponsored by the African Studies Center at Boston University in October, Prof. Thomas Reefe spoke on "Tribute and Trade in the Luba Empire." Prof. George B. Tindall delivered the Ralph Brown Draughon Lectures in Southern History at Auburn University on November 14-15. In two lectures he discussed "The Transition from Bourbon to Progressive Leadership in the South." In October Prof. Joel Williamson spoke on "The Strange Career of *The Strange Career of Jim Crow*" to the Transition Group, a select class of freshmen at North Carolina State University. At the November meeting of the Southern Historical Association in Dallas, Texas, he presided over a session devoted to "Southern Economic Development after the Civil War." Prof. Don Higginbotham is chairman of the University Bicentennial Committee. Among the members of the committee are Profs. William S. Powell and John E. Semonche of the history department and Dr. H. G. Jones of the North Carolina Collection.

Personnel in the university's Southern Oral History Program want to locate graduate students and professors who would be interested in serving as interviewers. Grants from the Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation and the Rockefeller Foundation have enabled the program to engage in a project concentrating on political change in the South since 1948. Persons working in contemporary southern and North Carolina history who are interested in the program should contact Ms. Jacqueline Hall, director of the program, at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Dr. Edward S. Perzel spoke at the Duquesne History Forum in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on October 31, taking as his topic, "The Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence: Myth and Reality."

County, State, and Local Groups

Alamance County Historical Association

The association recently arranged for the *Centennial History of Alamance County,* written by the late Walter Whitaker, to be reprinted. The new edition will sell for $6.00; orders should be placed with George D. Colclough, secretary-treasurer of the association, at Box 411, Burlington, 27215. The

limited number of copies left from the first printing will be sold for $4.00, but there are only a few of these available.

Association of Historians in Eastern North Carolina

The association held its first program meeting at Campbell College on October 12. Papers were presented by Dr. Charles Price of East Carolina University and Dr. Larry Usilton of the University of North Carolina at Wilmington. Slides on the discovery of the wreck of the *Monitor* were shown at the dinner meeting.

Carolina College Alumnae Association

Alumnae of the former Carolina College, located in Maxton and in operation between 1912 and 1926, met in June at Methodist College in Fayetteville. President Richard W. Pearce of Methodist College addressed the sixty alumnae who were present. An area of the college's Davis Memorial Library is reserved for Carolina College memorabilia. Mrs. Margaret Capes Andrews of Raleigh is president of the association; Mrs. Mabel Berry of Fayetteville is vice-president, Mrs. Rhoda McMillan of Parkton is the secretary.

Carson House

McDowell schoolchildren observed Constitution Week by visiting the Carson House in October. Members of the Greenlee Chapter of the DAR served as hostesses at the Carson House along with Mrs. Arthur Brown, the site's official hostess.

Cary Historical Society

The society is hoping to have a survey of architectural and historical structures of note made by the Division of Archives and History. Executive director of the group is Jarod Kratzer, who has reported the identification of twenty-seven sites worthy of investigation.

Caswell County Historical Association

The association met October 8 at the Yanceyville Presbyterian Church. A program, reviewing the personal diary of John Sharshall Grasty, was presented by Mrs. Cleve Daniel. Grasty was a Presbyterian minister who served in the county in the mid-1800s. Information about the society may be obtained by writing to the Caswell County Historical Association, Nancy M. Rudd, secretary-treasurer, P.O. Box 637, Yanceyville.

Chapel Hill Historical Society

The society is reprinting Kemp P. Battle's two-volume history of the University of North Carolina, which will sell for $60.00. Prof. William S. Powell has written a new introduction for the illustrated volumes which total 1,840 pages. The reprinting is being done by the Reprint Company of Spartanburg, South Carolina. At the October 6 meeting of the organization Dr. Henry Stuart Willis, former director of the tuberculosis sanatorium system of North Carolina, spoke on "Tar Heel Boyhood," in which he reminisced about rural life at the turn of the century. When the group met

on November 3 members heard Mr. Albert Coates, founder and longtime director of the Institute of Government, talk about his sixty years in Chapel Hill which began when he was a freshman in 1914. The society's board of directors, at a special meeting October 23, voted to sponsor (contingent on receipt of grant money) a bicentennial project of the Oral History Committee of the society; the committee's chairman, Brent Glass, will direct the project which will be called "Generations of Cotton Mill Workers." On December 1 Dr. Bernard Boyd, professor of religion and former department chairman at the university, took as his subject "Uncovering the Past in Israel." Dr. Boyd has led archaeological expeditions in that country. Dr. Ralph Watkins was elected president by the directors at their November meeting; at a meeting of the full membership, also in November, Dr. Gertrude Willis and Sandy McClamroch were chosen directors and Helen Allen and Lib Alexander were reelected for second terms. Dr. Charles Blake is continuing his first term as vice-president, and Dr. Charles Hooker was "confirmed" as treasurer.

Cleveland County Historical Association

The association met September 2 for a discussion of the county's plans for the bicentennial celebration. Roy Brooks of Forest City, former member of the old Tryon Historical Association, and C. Kenyon Withrow of Hollis, president of the Rutherford County Historical Association, were speakers. At the October 28 meeting the featured speaker was G. W. Blanton of Blacksburg, S.C., who discussed the Broad River. Members of the Cherokee County (S.C.) Historical and Preservation Society attended the meeting as guests of the Cleveland group, whose president is Dr. Wyan Washburn.

Eastern Cabarrus Historical Society

The society has purchased the old Mt. Pleasant Collegiate Institute's main building; the job of restoring the structure for use as a museum has been begun. Treasurer of the organization is Archie Smith.

Edgecombe County Historical Society

The society met October 8 at Calvary Episcopal Church in Tarboro to hear Miss Betty Dahill, research assistant with the Museum of Early Southern Decorative Arts in Winston-Salem. She presented a slide program on early American furniture.

Free Will Baptist Historical Society

The Free Will Baptist Historical Society was organized at Mount Olive College, Mount Olive, on October 12. Though theirs has remained one of the smallest religious communities in the state, the Free Will Baptists trace their history as an organized body of Protestant dissenters to seventeenth century North Carolina and England. The society proposes to foster the gathering, writing, and studying of the denomination's history. The Rev. James A. Evans, Route 1, Seven Springs, was elected president. Other officers elected are Dr. Michael Pelt, Mount Olive; Miss Louise Edgerton, Pikeville; and the Rev. Bruce Dudley, Davis. The second meeting of the society was held on December 5 in the Free Will Baptist Historical Collection room on the campus of Mount Olive College.

Halifax County Historical Association

The society met September 27 to hear Ray Wilkinson discuss bicentennial plans for Halifax County. He was introduced by Mrs. W. B. Joyner of Weldon. The association's new president is Mrs. Rom B. Parker, Jr.; serving with her are Mrs. Robert Vick, vice-president; Mrs. Edward Morrison, secretary; and Mrs. Quinton Gregory, treasurer.

Hillsborough Historical Society

The Engstrom Award was presented on October 17 to Mayor Fred Cates and the Town Board for their work in carrying out the restoration of the Ruffin-Roulhac House. The award is named for a longtime leader in preservation and research in Hillsborough and Chapel Hill, Mrs. Alfred Engstrom. Officers elected at the October meeting include Cecil Sanford, president; Miss Betty June Hayes, vice-president; Mrs. David Allen, secretary; and Mrs. Bill Richmond, treasurer. The program on the life of Billy Strayhorn, a composer and arranger for Duke Ellington, attracted a large audience. Strayhorn spent part of his childhood in the Orange County town. Coordinator for the program was Mrs. Cecil Sanford; music was provided by the Orange High School Jazz Band.

Historic Cabarrus, Inc.

The organization has recently been conducting a membership drive. Those interested in joining may do so by sending the membership fee ($2.50 for students; $5.00, regular memberships; $25.00, sustaining memberships; $100, patron memberships) to Howard G. Smith, treasurer, Historic Cabarrus, Inc., P.O. Box 966, Concord, 28025. The society is endeavoring to make the county's citizens aware of their past and to preserve historic structures, including the county courthouse. Officers, in addition to Mr. Smith, are Alex M. Patterson, president; Dr. R. Brown McAllister, first vice-president; Mrs. C. D. Sides, second vice-president; John Sharpe Hartsell, third vice-president; and Mrs. Frank Dusch, Jr., secretary.

Historic Jamestown Society

The annual meeting of the society was held October 17 at the Jamestown Town Hall. Speaker for the occasion was Dr. Blackwell Robinson, professor of history at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. The society and the High Point Historical Society were hosts to the North Carolina Society of County and Local Historians when they toured historic sites in southern Guilford County on October 13.

Historic Robeson, Inc.

William S. McLean, an attorney of Lumberton, was elected president of the organization September 17. Mrs. Bea Wassman of Fairmont was named vice-president; Albert Sharpe of Lumberton, reelected treasurer; and Ms. Ann McDaniel, secretary. Eugene Hachney of Lumberton is the outgoing president.

Historical Society of North Carolina

The society met on October 4 at Appalachian State University, with

Mrs. Memory F. Mitchell, president, opening the meeting and presiding over the business session. Dr. Mattie Russell of Duke University was elected president; Dr. Henry Stroupe of Wake Forest University, vice-president; Dr. George Troxler of Elon College, secretary; and Dr. Durward Stokes of Elon College, treasurer. Participants on the afternoon program were Dr. Cratis Williams, whose paper was entitled "The Origin of the Appalachian Mountain People"; Dr. Richard Humphrey, whose topic was "Development of Religion in Southern Appalachia: The Personal Quality"; Mrs. Charlotte Ross, who spoke on "Mountain Women in Fiction since 1925." All of the speakers are affiliated with Appalachian State University. The presidential address, given after dinner by Mrs. Mitchell, was entitled "Off to Africa—With Judicial Blessing."

Hoke County Historical Association

At a September director's meeting a goal was set of 100 members by late October or early November.

Lee County Historical and Genealogical Society

The society's executive committee met in September to discuss ways of making a membership drive successful, working under the leadership of Harry Wilson, vice-president. Plans were made for a fall tour of local historic sites which would coincide with the beginning of the drive; the tour was held November 3. Lewis McBryde is president of the Lee County society.

Lenoir County Historical Association

Dr. John Funderburg, new director of the Museum of Natural History in Raleigh, spoke at the group's dinner meeting September 17. President of the organization is Robert Hood.

Lower Cape Fear Historical Society

On November 23 the society honored Mrs. Leora H. McEachern and Mrs. Isabel M. Williams, who edited the *Wilmington New Hanover Safety Committee Minutes, 1774-1776*, and commemorated the two-hundredth anniversary of the Wilmington Safety Committee of November 23, 1774, at a reception given at the Latimer House. Mrs. McEachern and Mrs. Williams published in the October issue of the society's *Bulletin* an article entitled "Miss Buie, the Soldier's Friend." Speaker for the October 17 meeting of the organization, held at the St. James Great Hall, was Col. Robert S. Milner, executive director of the Wilmington-New Hanover County American Revolution Bicentennial Association, who discussed the work of the organization.

McDowell County Historical Society

Conservation and ecology were topics included in Lyle Morgan's presentation to the society on October 18 at the Carson House. Mr. Morgan, of the Wildlife Resources Commission staff, showed slides to illustrate his talk. During the business session, with Mrs. Worth Cox, president, presiding, a report on the Andrews Geyser project was presented by Miss Binkie Adams of Old Fort; she also reported that the log cabin on the Mountain Gateway

Museum property will be open to the public in the spring. The January 17 meeting, scheduled for the McDowell Public Library in Marion, is open to the public.

Malcolm Blue Historical Society

Members met October 6 for a progress report on the restoration of the Malcolm Blue House. Plans are being made to publish a pictorial history of Blue's Crossing (the early name for Aberdeen) as a bicentennial project. The society has also initiated a local history and genealogy class at the Sandhills Community College; it is being taught by Marvin Gaster. Mrs. Grant Clayton is president of the society; Mrs. Jim Strowd, vice-president; Mrs. George Gordon, secretary; and M. B. Pleasants, treasurer. Persons wishing to communicate with a member of the society about its program should write to Box 1205 in Aberdeen, 28315.

Maxton Historical Society

The society's organizational meeting was held October 29 with installation of the following officers: Roland Seals, president; Miss Patsy Hamer, president-elect; Dr. Bryant K. Wicker, first vice-president; and Charles Hoffman, secretary-treasurer. Robert Fairley, second vice-president, was unable to be present. Approximately 300 charter members have responded to the drive for support of the organization, which is an outgrowth of the Maxton Area Centennial Celebration. The installation of officers was conducted by Executive Director John C. Hasty and Mrs. Roger Cole, a member of the Stratford, Connecticut, Historical Society. Persons desiring more information about the society should write to Mr. Seals at 429 Elm Street, Maxton, 28634.

Mecklenburg Historical Association

The association had a booth, using the bicentennial theme, at the Southeastern Christmas Show at the Merchandise Mart November 13-17. The group is planning to work with the Charlotte Chamber of Commerce in establishing tours and issuing appropriate accompanying brochures. Working with a subsidiary group, Latta Place, Inc., the association is seeking to raise $10,000 for the restoration of the Latta Place. A meeting was held October 22 at which time Dr. Lawrence Boggs spoke on the history of medicine in Mecklenburg County.

Montgomery County Historical Society

The society met October 28 to hear the Rev. James MacKenzie, Presbyterian minister of Robbins. He discussed early Scottish settlers in the county.

Moravian Music Foundation

The foundation has recorded the "Psalm of Joy of the Congregation in Salem for the Peace Celebration of July 4, 1783," the music of the first known independence day observance held in response to legislative enactment. The music was recorded by the Nashville Symphony Orchestra and Symphony Chorale, conducted by Dr. Thor Johnson. A $25,000 grant to the foundation

by Miss Lily Peter of Marvell, Arkansas, made the recording possible. Additional historical and performing editions of the work are planned for the bicentennial year. Inquiries concerning this music should be addressed to the Moravian Music Foundation, Drawer Z, Salem Station, Winston-Salem, 27108.

Mordecai Square Historical Society

New directors were elected at the annual meeting of the society held on September 17: John Bailey, Mrs. Joseph Cheshire, Mrs. James Cresimore, Mrs. Earl Droessler, Mrs. James J. Garland, Mrs. James Howison, and Mrs. Hurst Owen.

Museum of the Albemarle

October 11-19 were dates for the fifth Invitational Art Show held at the museum. Later in the month, October 25 and 26, a white elephant sale was sponsored by the museum. A Christmas Open House was held December 8, and an exhibit, "Toys of Christmas Past," was on display from Thanksgiving until New Year's Day.

North Carolina Baptist Historical Collection

A number of Baptist churches have had their records microfilmed by the collection in recent weeks: First Baptist Church, Greensboro; Cartledge Creek Baptist Church in the Pee Dee Baptist Association; and Providence Baptist Church in Harrisburg. All Baptist and early Primitive Baptist churches are encouraged to have their records filmed by the Baptist Historical Collection free of cost to them. Under the Local Records Branch, Archives and Records Section, Division of Archives and History, church records will also be filmed free of charge.

North Carolina Genealogical Society

The fall meeting of the North Carolina Genealogical Society was held on the campus of Atlantic Christian College in Wilson on September 7. First Vice-President and Mrs. Hugh B. Johnston, Jr., were hosts at a coffee hour, which was followed by a varied program featuring talks by Mrs. E. M. McEachern, Dr. Charles H. Blake, Mrs. O. H. Ross, Jr., and Garland P. Stout. Editor George Stevenson presented certain details affecting the *North Carolina Genealogical Society Journal*. Charles R. Holloman is the society's president. Membership in this new state society is open to anyone who has an interest in any aspect of genealogy associated with North Carolina. Annual dues of $10.00, or a life membership at $100, may be sent to the treasurer at P.O. Box 1492, Raleigh, 27602.

North Carolina Presbyterian Historical Society

The society's fall tour took place in the Charlotte area on October 3 and 4 with Mrs. J. S. Evans, Jr., in charge of local arrangements. Sugaw Creek Presbyterian Church served as host church and the members of the society met there on the evening of the third for a dinner meeting at which the president, Rear Admiral A. M. Patterson, presided. The featured speaker was the

Rev. Neill R. McGeach who spoke on the life of Alexander Craighead. On the fourth, Hopewell, Steele Creek, Providence, and Philadelphia churches were visited. Lunch was served at Queens College, followed by a tour of the college.

Pitt County Historical Society

The Pitt County Historical Society sponsored a lecture, in cooperation with the Department of Foreign Languages at East Carolina University, and Quixote Travels, Inc., of Greenville, on October 18 by Dr. Jurgen Kalkbrenner, counselor of cultural and educational affairs at the embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany in Washington, D.C. Dr. Kalkbrenner spoke on "Germany in the 1970s." He was introduced by the Pitt County Historical Society president, Dr. Ralph Hardee Rives.

Dr. Joseph W. Congleton, Jr., of the School of Education at East Carolina University addressed members of the society at a dinner meeting which was held in Greenville on November 14. Dr. Congleton discussed the history of education in Greenville up to the opening of the first public school in 1903. Plans were made to have the annual Christmas party for society members in Winterville, and the Winterville members were appointed to make the necessary arrangements for the occasion.

Rockingham County Historical Society

Mr. Richard Gravely of Martinsville presented a slide-lecture on "William Byrd and the North Carolina-Virginia Boundary Line" at the October 24 meeting of the society. The exterior restoration of the Wright Tavern, a project of the society, was finished during the summer. Plans are being made to have the tavern open as a county museum by July 4, 1976, as a biecentennial contribution.

Stokes County Historical Society

The society met September 24 in Walnut Cove to hear John Woodard, director of the Baptist Collection at Wake Forest University and university archivist, speak on "The Common Soldier during the Civil War." On October 12 an auction was held on the grounds of the old Stokes jail in Danbury; proceeds were earmarked for the jail restoration.

Surry County Historical Society

The society met October 3 at the Surry Community College in Dobson. Members and others with stories handed down through family tradition, old letters, or other documents of interest were invited to share these with those in attendance. Persons interested in joining the society should write to Miss Ruth Minick, treasurer, at 341 Franklin Street in Mount Airy.

Vance County Historical Society

The society is making an effort to obtain a history of each church in the county, according to the leader of the project, Mrs. P. D. Coghill. At the October 22 meeting, held at the St. James Episcopal Church in Kittrell, John Boddie Crudup recalled his early recollections of that church. Anyone

wishing further information about the society should write to Mrs. Coghill at Route 5, Box 75, Henderson.

Wachovia Historical Society

On October 15 the society presented in concert the reactivated Regiment Band of the Twenty-sixth North Carolina Troops, CSA. The concert was only one feature of the annual meeting. President Edwin L. Stockton, Jr., presented portions of Julius Leinbach's account of the part the band played during the four-day massacre of the regiment, which lost 90 percent of its men.

Wake County Historical Society

At a meeting on November 24 Prof. Donald Barnes of the North Carolina State University School of Design, described the work that a class of twenty architectural students is doing in planning the restoration of Yates Mill, near Raleigh. The mill, on the National Register of Historic Places, is believed to be one of the oldest establishments of its kind in that part of North Carolina. The meeting was highlighted by the announcement that the society has named Mrs. Charlotte Hilton Green as its first honorary member for her contribution to the society and its programs.

Warren County Historical Association

Members meeting October 7 heard optimistic reports concerning work on the restoration of the Nathaniel Macon homeplace. A brochure on the site, Buck Spring, has been published; it includes illustrations as well as narrative concerning the importance of the site and plans for its restoration. Contributions to aid in this restoration may be sent to Mrs. James P. Beckwith, president of the association at Warrenton, 27589.

Washington County Historical Society

Herbert N. Nixon, director of the Perquimans County Restoration Association, spoke at the October 17 meeting of the Washington County group on problems and procedures in raising funds for preservation and restoration. The Perquimans group raised over $17,000 in matching funds over a relatively short time; the money was used for the Newbold-White House.

Western North Carolina Historical Association

Asheville-Buncombe Technical Institute and the association recently signed a two-year lease which will lead to the establishment of a regional culture center. The location of the center will be the old Smith-McDowell House on Victoria Road, a house located on a 78-acre tract purchased by the technical institute from the Catholic Diocese of North Carolina.

Wilson County Historical Society

At the fall meeting on September 25, Mr. T. E. Ricks, president of the Nash County Historical Society, gave an illustrated lecture on the developments in his own organization, including the popular annual tours of his-

toric places and the notable "Stonewall" restoration. He was accompanied and assisted by Dr. Margaret Battle, also of Rocky Mount. Officers of the Wilson County Historical Society are Hugh B. Johnston, Jr., president; J. Marshall Daniel, Jr., first vice-president; Jerry Morris, second vice-president; Alice Farmer Herring, secretary; and John G. Ashe, Jr., treasurer.

Yadkin County Historical Society

The county commissioners approved a county seal and flag at a meeting held October 21, and plans were made for reproductions of the seal which could be stamped on coins and sold as commemorative medals. Part of the proceeds will be used for historical projects. The flag and seal were presented at the commissioners' meeting by Hubert Hoots, president of the county historical society.

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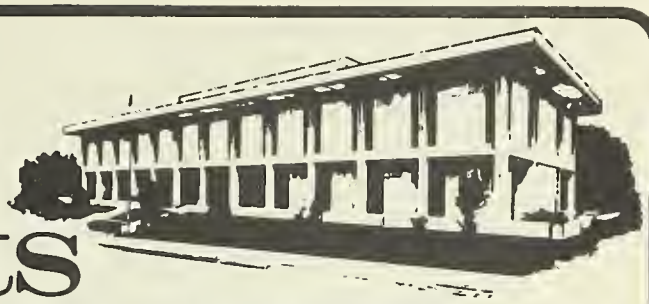

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"Calls to Arms" Is New Exhibit

"Call to Arms," an exhibit showing novel aspects of the Spanish-American War and World War I, opened in the North Carolina Museum of History on February 5. Rather than reconstruct a chronological history, certain features of these two wars were selected as a means of showing their peculiar significance and of utilizing artifacts from the museum's collection which are seldom seen by the public.

Shown in the new exhibit in the Museum of History is a World War I officer's uniform and equipment. (Photographs by Division of Archives and History unless otherwise specified.)

Workshop, Resources Offered for Genealogists

A workshop for beginning genealogists was sponsored by the Archives and Records Section December 5-6. Enrollment was limited to eighty persons. Participants were welcomed by Mrs. Grace J. Rohrer, secretary of the Department of Cultural Resources; Dr. Robert E. Stipe, director of the Division of Archives and History; and Dr. Thornton W. Mitchell, state archivist and administrator of the Archives and Records Section.

Lectures were presented on the use of records and aids for genealogists. Guest speakers and their topics were: Edith Clark, retired librarian and genealogist of Salisbury, "Methodology and Sources of Aids to Genealogists"; Martha Paskewich of the Land Grant Office (Secretary of State's Office), "Land Grant Records"; and Lee Albright, librarian, "Genealogical Services of the State Library." Members of the Archives staff lectured on wills and estates, marriage, tax, military, and census records; deed books; court minutes; and bibliography. Those who spoke were Paul Hoffman, Frank Gatton, Joe Mobley, Ellen McGrew, Ruby Arnold, Minnie Peebles, Cathy Jackson, Percy Hines, Dick Lankford, Betty Yarborough, and George Stevenson.

Beginning genealogists met December 5-6 to learn about records and aids useful to them in their work. Above, left, are lecturers Minnie Peebles of the Archives staff and Martha Paskewich from the Land Grant Office. Right, Mrs. Robert E. Stipe of Chapel Hill, Charles Poe of Raleigh, and Refford Cate of Reidsville are chatting during a coffee break.

Tar Heel Tracks, a twelve-page brochure for genealogists, is available without charge from the Genealogical Services Branch, Division of the State Library, Department of Cultural Resources, 109 East Jones Street, Raleigh, 27611. Services offered through the branch are itemized, and several basic reference works are listed.

A one-week national bicentennial session on genealogical research which will concentrate on the colonial and Revolutionary periods is planned for the National Archives July 19-23, 1976. Leading genealogists from the United States and Britain will discuss resources for research available both in the United States and abroad. Registration, which is $75.00 is limited. Those interested should write to Director Bill R. Linder, Central Reference Division (NNC), National Archives (GSA), Washington, D.C., 20408.

Valuable Records Are Accessioned

The Local Records Branch recently transferred a large quantity of historically valuable unbound records of Orange County and the Hillsborough District Superior Court to the State Archives. These records were added to

existing collections and are now available for public research. The records date from 1752 to the early 1900s and consist of bonds, estates, land records, marriage records, bridge and road records, wills, and various miscellaneous items.

Bound records from Martin, Person, and Pitt counties were added to existing collections from those counties and are also available for public use.

During the months of September through November, 1974, a total of seventy-seven items were accessioned by the Archives Branch.

The Local Records Branch transferred records from Alamance (34 volumes), Burke (1 item), Carteret (17 volumes and 1 marriage bond), Cumberland (4 volumes), Gates (165 boxes), Granville (1 box), Lincoln (1 item), Northampton (16 boxes), Orange (235 boxes), Randolph (2 folders), Rowan (1 volume), Wake (5 reels), and Wilson (3 boxes) counties. Also received from Local Records were security microfilm records from Brunswick, Columbus, Cumberland, Macon, and Orange counties and security microfilm municipal records from Fayetteville, Garner, and Southport. In addition, security microfilm of county church records from Brunswick, Columbus, Cumberland, and Macon were accessioned.

Records transferred from the State Records Branch were original records from the Division of Social Services (2 cubic feet) and microfilmed records from the Division of Archives and History (1 reel) and the State Board of Dental Examiners (1 reel). An additional reel of Archives and History microfilm was transferred from the Historical Publications Section.

New private collections accessioned were the Tiny Broadwick Collection (a scrapbook and 11 photographs), the Mrs. William J. Doran Papers, the Iredell Family Papers (the James Iredell Family Bible), the Albert Timothy Outlaw Papers (microfilm), the Vivian J. Snyder Collection, the Asa T. Spaulding Papers (microfilm), the Mary Lee Ticktin Papers, the Frank Vaughn Papers, and two microfilmed account books. Additions were made to the following existing private collections: the Mrs. Mary Deal Haynes Collection, the McDaniel Lewis Collection, the McKay-Cromartie Family Papers, the James F. Post Ledger (microfilm), the Robert W. Scott II Collection, and the Caleb Winslow Family Papers.

The remainder of the accessions included additions to the records of the North Carolina Public Health Association and the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association; church histories from Caldwell, Richmond, and Wake counties; fifteen miscellaneous genealogies and Bible records; cemetery records from Columbus and Wilson counties; two additions to the Civil War Collection and one addition to the War of 1812 Collection (microfilm); and English Records (10 reels).

State Records Branch Sets Up Files System

The records management staff of the Archives and Records Section recently completed the design of a files system for the Department of Transportation's Systems Planning, Aeronautics, and Mass Transportation divisions. This system provides for the economical and efficient storage and utilization of the newly created records.

In addition, a records retention and disposition schedule was written which provides for the timely destruction of records no longer needed in the operation of the agency, provides storage in the State Records Center for semiactive records of reference value, and ensures the retention of records

subject to state and federal audits. For the first time, reports and publications prepared by the division are being sent to the State Library for public reference as a result of this files system study.

Notice to Subscribers

During recent months there have been many difficulties connected with subscriptions to the *North Carolina Historical Review* and *Carolina Comments*. Every effort is being made by new personnel to bring all records up to date and to assure complete accuracy. Any subscriber finding any error in his or her account should write to the Historical Publications Section of the Division of Archives and History at 109 East Jones Street, Raleigh, 27611. It is important that the zip code be included with all correspondence.

Because of the cost involved when notice of change of address is not sent promptly, it is hoped that subscribers will remember to inform the section of needed changes without delay.

Author of Book on Governors Is Honored

Miss Beth Crabtree, whose revised edition of *North Carolina Governors, 1585-1975: Brief Sketches* was published just before Christmas, was honored the afternoon of February 2 by J. C. Knowles and the Historical Publications Section of the Division of Archives and History when an autograph party was held in the Archives and History-State Library Building. Mr. Knowles director of Historical Raleigh, is a member of the North Carolina Historical Commission and is well known for his interest in and support of local history.

Miss Crabtree was introduced by Mrs. Memory F. Mitchell, historical publications administrator, who spoke briefly on the publications program of the division. Miss Crabtree told something about the book and how informa-

Above, left, Miss Beth Crabtree (far right) autographs a copy of *North Carolina Governors, 1585-1975: Brief Sketches,* for Dr. Robert E. Stipe, director of the Division of Archives and History. Dr. Stipe is looking at a copy of the new county history, *Rowan County: A Brief History,* by James S. Brawley. Mrs. Mary Reynolds Peacock (standing) worked with Mr. Brawley in getting the manuscript ready for the printer and in seeing the book through the press. In the photograph at the right, Mrs. Barbara Lee, who is in charge of the sales desk in the lobby of the Archives and History-State Library Building, shows the two new publications which are on sale there. Mail orders should be sent to the Historical Publications Section of the Division of Archives and History. The book on governors is $3.00 and the Rowan history is $1.50.

tion for it was compiled and written. She then autographed copies of *North Carolina Governors* for those who purchased them.

Localities Are Named Bicentennial Communities

Since the last issue of *Carolina Comments* was published, several additional localities have been designated national Bicentennial Communities. A number of these arranged for ceremonies at which time short programs were presented and flag and certificate presentations were made by representatives of the Department of Cultural Resources. Ceremonies were scheduled for Mars Hill on January 28, Clinton on February 3, Charlotte on February 18, and Brunswick County on February 21.

Recently designated Bicentennial Communities are: Brunswick County, Buncombe County, Catawba County, Charlotte-Mecklenburg County, Chowan County, Dunn, Durham-Durham County, Elizabeth City-Pasquotank County, Fayetteville, Johnston County, Kinston-Lenoir County, McDowell County, Pembroke, Sampson County, and Warren County.

Bicentennial Announces Contest

The North Carolina American Revolution Bicentennial Committee has announced plans for a contest, "North Carolina in the Era of the American Revolution." An award of $250 will be offered to the author of an article on some aspect of North Carolina or North Carolinians during the Revolution. The Advisory Editorial Committee of the *North Carolina Historical Review* will judge articles entered in the contest, and the winner will receive not only the monetary prize but will have his or her article published in the *Review.* Entries are to be based on research in primary sources and are to be completely documented. If no article is determined by the judges to meet the standards of the *Review,* no award will be given.

Articles should be postmarked no later than February 1, 1976. For further information and complete contest rules, write to Dr. Jeffrey J. Crow, Heritage Consultant, North Carolina Bicentennial, 109 East Jones Street, Raleigh, 27611.

Plans Announced for Oral History Association

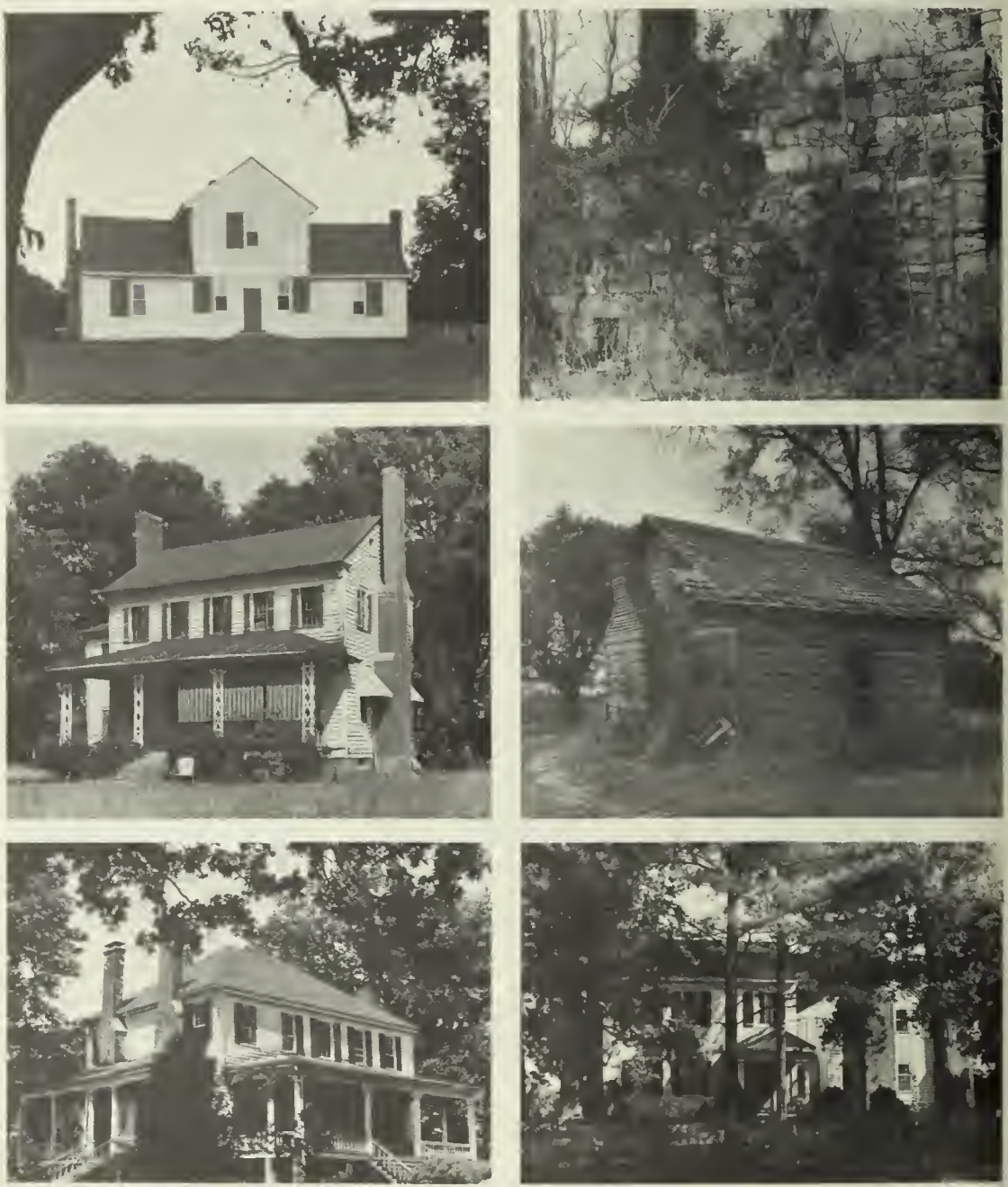
The National Colloquium on Oral History will be held October 23-26 at the Grove Park Inn in Asheville. Theme for the conference will be "Oral History Comes of Age: The 10th National Colloquium on Oral History." The program chairman is Thomas Charlton of Baylor University and the workshop chairman is Waddy Moore of the State College of Arkansas. For further information, write to Ronald E. Marcello, who is secretary of the association, at Box 13734, North Texas Station, North Texas State University, Denton, Texas, 76203.

Historic Preservation Society to Publish Newsletter

In an effort to make the Historic Preservation Society of North Carolina a more viable force in North Carolina preservation and restoration, the society plans to start publication soon of its own newsletter; consequently, this will be the last issue of *Carolina Comments* sent to members as a benefit of their

membership in the society. Plans for the newsletter include factual information from professional sources concerning preservation and restoration; references to technical publications that can be of assistance to local preservation groups; a question and answer column for sharing problems and solutions; and in general a means of disbursing information and news among society members. Suggestions and comments are welcome and should be mailed to the Secretary-Treasurer, 109 East Jones Street, Raleigh, 27611.

Fourteen National Register Structures Pictured



Fourteen recent additions to the National Register of Historic Places are pictured in this issue of *Carolina Comments*. Top, left, is the Graves House in Caswell County; right, Powell-Trollinger Lime Kilns, Catawba County. Middle, left, Mount Prospect (Exum Lewis, Jr., House), Edgecombe County; right, Ebenezer Log Church, Edgecombe County. Bottom, left, Alston-DeGraffenried House, Chatham County; Matthews Place (Ivey Hill), Halifax County.

Top, left, Eagle Nest, Jones County; right, Bellamy's Mill, Halifax County line. First middle row, left, Blackberry Hill, Polk County; right, Polk County Courthouse. Second middle row, left, James Mangum House, Wake County; right, Cherry Hill, Warren County. Bottom row, left, Dalkeith, Warren County; and right, Reedy Rill, Warren County.

Bicentennial and Other Staff Changes Announced

Mrs. Dabney Enderle, administrator of the North Carolina American Revolution Bicentennial Committee, resigned the middle of December. The resignation was effective February 4. Named acting administrator by Mrs. Grace J. Rohrer, secretary of the Department of Cultural Resources, was Dr. Jeffrey J. Crow. Dr. Crow received his bachelor's degree from Ohio State University, his master's from the University of Akron, and his doctorate from Duke University.

After this issue of *Carolina Comments* had gone to press, announcement was made of the appointment of Mrs. Frances Tomlin as bicentennial administrator. The next issue will have more on this. Miss Nancy Carroll, now secretary-receptionist for the Bicentennial Committee, transferred from the Department of Natural and Economic Resources.

Several personnel changes have occurred in the Historical Publications Section of the Division of Archives and History. Mrs. Rose Ennemoser, typist II, transferred from the Civil War Roster Branch to fill a position created by the disability retirement of Mrs. Mary Frances Kelly; her position with the Roster was filled by Mrs. Cora B. (Sue) Sherron. The steno II position in the section was filled by Mrs. Henri Dawkins following the resignation of Miss Kathy S. Williamson.

Mrs. Barbara Whitehouse was appointed as a clerk II with the Microfilm Unit of the State Records Branch on December 1; she will perform the duties of a microfilm technician. The new typist II in the Archives Branch of the Archives and Records Section is Mrs. Phyllis Whitehurst. She reported for work on January 27.

The Historic Sites Section also has several new employees, including Jerry C. Cashion who was named research supervisor, effective December 1, succeeding the late Mrs. Elizabeth W. Wilborn. Mr. Cashion is a candidate for the Ph.D. degree at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where he served as assistant to Dr. Hugh T. Lefler and later as instructor of North Carolina history. For six years he taught United States history in the university's evening college, and in 1974 Mr. Cashion received an award for outstanding teaching of undergraduate students at Chapel Hill.

Jerry Cashion.

Another Chapel Hill graduate, Kathleen Pepi, until recently worked on a part-time basis with the Survey and Planning Branch of the Historic Sites Section. She has now transferred to the position of preservation planner. She had graduate work at Wake Forest University and at the Preservation Institute at Nantucket, sponsored by the University of Florida, the National Trust, and the National Endowment for the Humanities. She formerly worked as an intern at Old Salem and at the Pittsburgh History and Landmarks Foundation.

Rosa Davenport was recently employed as housekeeping assistant at the James Iredell House in Historic Edenton; she was formerly employed at

Somerset Place State Historic Site.

Dr. Richard F. Knapp, special projects officer, spoke before the Society for Historical Archaeology in Charleston, South Carolina, on "The Historian and the Archaeologist," relating the professions to the Reed Gold Mine; and Brent Glass of the Survey and Planning Branch spoke on "Gold Mining in North Carolina." The meeting was also attended by William G. Faulk, Jr., site manager at Brunswick Town. Other members of the Historic Sites Section who attended and/or spoke at meetings within North Carolina included Greer Suttlemyre, Janet Seapker, Richard W. Sawyer, Jr., and Archie C. Smith, Jr.

National Endowment Supports Seminars

The National Endowment for the Humanities is offering sixty-one seminars for college teachers during the summer of 1975. These are to be given at institutions in twenty-six states, and each seminar will enroll twelve college teachers. Participants will be selected by seminar directors. Three seminars will be offered in North Carolina: "Politics and Morality" at Duke University, with Dr. John H. Hallowell of the Department of Political Science as director; and seminars on topics in the fields of music and Spanish drama at the University of North Carolina and Duke, respectively. Application forms are available from seminar directors and from the Division of Fellowships, the National Endowment for the Humanities, Washington, D.C., 20506.

Tryon Palace Commission Has New Member

Gov. James E. Holshouser recently named Dr. Rick Moore of New Bern to membership on the Tryon Palace Commission. Dr. Moore replaces Mrs. Sol Schechter of Kinston, who resigned. The new member, a physician, is a director of the Historic New Bern Foundation.

Colleges and Universities

Campbell College

The college will be host to the fourth annual Conference on Celtic Studies, cosponsored by the host institution and the Harnett County Historical Society, on March 15.

Catawba College

Dr. C. Gregg Singer participated in a lecture series, "A Theological Interpretation of American History," in Chattanooga, Tennessee, several months ago. The program was presented at the Center for Christian Studies.

Meredith College

Dr. Sarah M. Lemmon, chairman of the Department of History and Political Science, spoke to the Caswell-Nash Chapter of the DAR on November 8, taking as her topic "Preservation of Victorian Architecture." On January 6 she spoke to the Host Lion's Club of Raleigh on "The Preservation of Historic Oakwood." Dr. Thomas C. Parramore took part on a program, "North Carolina in the Revolutionary Era," at the North Carolina Social Studies Conference in Charlotte on November 8. His wife, Dr. Barbara M. Parra-

more of North Carolina State University, also participated in the program. The Parramores are authors of a pamphlet, *North Carolina in the Revolutionary Era*, published in September by the State Department of Public Education and the North Carolina American Revolution Bicentennial Committee. Dr. Thomas Parramore had two articles, "George Washington Sat Here" and "The 'Sole' of a Tar Heel," published last fall in the *Journal of the American Bar Association* and in *North Carolina Education*, respectively.

The Departments of History, Political Science, and Sociology at Meredith will be hosts to the Baptist Colleges Social Sciences Conference March 21-22.

Recent additions to the microfilm collection in the Meredith College library include the following from the National Archives: Letters Received by the Adjutant General, 1811-1815, microcopy 566, rolls 14, 17, 24, 29, 33, 47, 48, 54, 55, 56, 61, 65, and 83; Letters Sent by the Adjutant General, microcopy 565, roll 4; Seaman's Register of Certificates, 1808-1816, microcopy 861; and Records of Impressed Seamen, 1796-1814. Received from the Public Record Office in London are seven reels of film: Admiralty 502-507, Letters to the Admiralty from the North American Station, 1811-1814; one reel of prize cases.

North Carolina State University

Dr. Stuart Noblin spoke on January 13 at the United Church of Christ in Raleigh and on January 16 at the International Torch Club, taking as his topic, "Will Rogers: Comic Genius."

The School of Liberal Arts and Department of History of the university are sponsoring a symposium, "Blacks in Southern History," this spring. The first session, "Shades of Black and White," was held January 30, with Dr. George M. Fredrickson of Northwestern University speaking on "Race Mixture in South Africa and the American South: A Comparative View"; and Dr. Joel Williamson of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill taking as his topic, "Souls of Black Folk: The Thought of W. E. B. DuBois." The moderator was Dr. William C. Harris of North Carolina State University. The second session, February 20, was on the subject "Biracial Politics" and the third, on "New Perspectives on American Slavery," is scheduled for April 7.

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

The North Carolina Collection has acquired a rare manuscript relating to the unsuccessful effort of Sir Robert Heath to plant a colony in Carolina. Dated April 20, 1632, the two-leaf document, signed by Phil. Warwicke, provided that no person "of the protestant religion" should be "willingly admitted or entertayned" in the proposed colony. According to Mr. William S. Powell, this prohibition against French Protestants helped defeat Heath's plan for a colony.

The proposals of Dr. H. G. Jones, curator of the collection, that the National Archives be restored to independent status and that presidential records be statutorily defined as public records were featured in the *Newsletter* of the American Historical Association for December. The column, written by Dr. Lewis Hanke, president of the AHA, recommended revival

of the "Jones report" as contained in his book, *The Records of a Nation*, published in 1969.

Dr. Jones wrote for the *American Annual* the article on North Carolina for the year 1974, and on February 5 he spoke on changes in agriculture and rural living at the Granville County Forum in Oxford.

Prof. Lamar Cecil read a paper entitled "Jew and Junker in Imperial Berlin" at the meeting of the American Historical Association in Chicago in December, 1974.

Prof. Joan W. Scott was the winner of the Herbert Baxter Adams Prize awarded by the American Historical Association for her first book, *The Glassworkers of Charmaux: French Craftsmen & Political Action in a 19th Century City* (Harvard University Press, 1974). She spoke on "Women's Work in 19th Century Europe" at Princeton University in November and on "Artisans and Industrialization in 19th Century France" at Brown University in December. At the Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, held at Cambridge, Massachusetts, in October, she presented a paper entitled "Married Women's Work and the Family in France and England," of which she was the coauthor.

Prof. Jacquelyn Hall received the Bancroft Dissertation Award for 1974 from Columbia University, and her dissertation will be published by the Columbia University Press. She also presented a paper at the meeting of the Southern Historical Association meeting in November entitled "Revolt Against Chivalry: Jessie Daniel Ames and the Women's Campaign Against Lynching," and served as panel moderator for a program on the South in the thirties at the thirtieth anniversary meeting of the Southern Regional Council in Atlanta in November.

Dr. Ben Martin presented a paper, "The Formation of Political Parties in Third Republic France: The Experience of the Action Libéral Populaire," to the convention of the Western Society for French History in San Francisco in November.

Prof. E. Willis Brooks spent twelve days during the Christmas holidays working in libraries in Finland and the Soviet Union and in conferences with American scholars studying in Russia under the auspices of the official US-USSR Inter-Government Exchanges Agreement, a program which Dr. Brooks administered in 1966-1968.

Prof. William S. Powell served as commentator at a session on historical preservation at the November meeting of the Southern Historical Association, and in January he spoke at the initial meeting of the Granville County Forum in Oxford on events of significance in the twentieth century United States and in Granville County.

Wake Forest University

Dr. Margaret J. Osler's topic at the December 27 meeting of the Modern Language Association in New York was " 'Twilight of Probability' and 'The Staving Off of Ignorance': Background of the Concept of Probability in 17th and 18th Century Thought." Dr. Lowell R. Tillett published an article, "The Sad State of Cultural Life in Moscow (or Peking) as Viewed from Peking (Moscow)," in the *Virginia Quarterly Review*, Winter, 1975. Dr. Balkrishna Govind Gokhale published two articles: "Aesthetic Ideas in Early Buddhism," *Journal of Indian History*, Golden Jubilee Volume, 1974; and "Tobacco in Seventeenth-Century India," *Agricultural History*, October,

1974. Dr. Clara I. Gandy is visiting assistant professor during the spring term.

Wake Forest University has recently acquired an outstanding reference collection on events of the past twenty-five years. The *Reporter*, a magazine on world affairs, was published biweekly from 1948 to 1968. The founder, editor, and publisher of the magazine was Dr. Max Ascoli of New York, who gave the news morgue and reference library of the publication to Wake Forest in memory of the late Dr. Camillo Artom, a member of the Bowman Gray School of Medicine faculty from 1939 until his death in 1970. Clippings from the *New York Times, Wall Street Journal, Christian Science Monitor, Washington Post, St. Louis Post-Dispatch*, and other newspapers are classified and cross-referenced under subject headings. The library, also given to Wake Forest, consists of about 3,000 books. Miss Ruth Ames, who began the collection and was librarian and director of research for the *Reporter*, has joined the Wake Forest staff as archivist for the material.

State, County, and Local Groups

Anson County Historical Society

To counteract the financial difficulties the society has been facing, the organization last November decided on three courses of action: a membership drive to be launched in January, an offer by the board of directors to serve as the county's bicentennial committee, and solicitation of funds from the public. An indebtedness of $58,000 was incurred in the acquisition and renovation of the Boggan-Hammond House in Wadesboro and Cedar Creek Meeting House in Lilesville. The board's chairman is John J. Dunlap.

Beaufort County Historical Society

The society was reactivated when approximately thirty people met in Washington in November to elect new officers and a board of directors. Following the death of its president, Edmund Harding, the society became inactive; with renewed interest in historic sites and related subjects, a group of local citizens took steps to revitalize the organization. Officers are Mrs. Fred Mallison, president; William Mayo, vice-president; and Mrs. Louise Satterthwaite, secretary-treasurer. Interest was shown in the renovation of the old courthouse and in several sites in the town and county.

Carteret Historical Research Association

The association is assisting in coordinating local and state interests in the restoration of Fort Macon. Miss Emily Loftin is president of the association.

Catawba County Historical Association

At its December 4 meeting, the association heard Miss Anne Keener of Denver speak on "Pioneer Herb Cures—Successful Remedies or Old Wives Tales?" which included a discussion of local herbs used for medicinal purposes. The talk was illustrated. A second feature of the program was a film made during the 1926 soldiers' reunion in Newton. Mrs. Rome Jones is president of the Catawba group.

Chapel Hill Historical Society

On January 12 the society joined members of the Chapel Hill Preservation Society for a social gathering and to hear reports on projects of the two organizations. Membership, book and brochure sales, and work of the Research and Study Committee of the historical society were subjects of discussion. The preservation society's membership, its work during 1974, and its plans for the Horace Williams House were also discussed. An anonymous contribution of $22,000 has been made with the request that emphasis be given to the restoration of the octagonal room of the Williams House. Directors, at the December meeting, discussed ways and means of repairing recently vandalized tombstones in the old Chapel Hill cemetery.

When members of the society met on February 2 they heard Mrs. Robert M. Lester, Sr., speak on "Memories of a Genealogist." The meeting was held at the Institute of Government.

Cleveland County Historical Association

The county commissioners of Cleveland County authorized the association on January 6 to proceed with preliminary work toward establishing a county historical museum. The museum will be in the old county courthouse. In addition to the museum, the association has recommended the establishment of archives fashioned along the lines of the federal and state archives.

Duplin County Historical Society

Mr. Michael Brantley of the North Carolina Museum of Art spoke to the society when it met January 18, taking as his topic "Heraldry." The society recently contributed $400 to the scholarship fund at East Carolina University and is working cooperatively with the Duplin County Bicentennial Commission. It is also assisting in the Battle of Rockfish site restoration project and is sponsoring a high school essay contest on the county's role in the Revolution. President of the group is Dr. W. Dallas Herring of Rose Hill, chairman of the State Board of Education; vice-president is Mr. Claude H. Moore, a member of the faculty of Mount Olive College; treasurer is Miss Alice Mallard; and secretary is Mrs. Sallie C. Ingram of Kenansville.

Pictured at the January 18 meeting of the Duplin County Historical Society are, left to right, Mr. Claude H. Moore, Miss Alice Mallard, Mrs. Sallie C. Ingram, and Mr. Michael W. Brantley. (Photo by Joe Lanier, *Duplin Times-Progress Sentinel*, Kenansville.)

Eastern Cabarrus Historical Society

An open house in the administration building of the old Mt. Pleasant Collegiate Institute in Mount Pleasant was held on November 24. The

exterior of the 1853 building has been restored, and the society has plans to use the building as a museum and repository for records relating to the history of the county. Dr. Eugene Hough is president of the society.

Greensboro Historical Museum

The museum has recently acquired a number of significant O. Henry letters, including the "Magnolia Letter," which was given by the museum's executive board chairman, Mr. Earl Weatherly. This letter was written to Sara Coleman, who was to become O. Henry's second wife; a sketch of a magnolia concludes the epistle. Other letters were obtained from Miss Adel Sartin and her brother Howard of Banning, California. Their father married Margaret Porter four days prior to her death, and she bequeathed everything she owned to him. The collection includes fifty-two letters written by O. Henry to his daughter Margaret, ten written by her to O. Henry and six miscellaneous letters.

Historic Hillsborough Commission

The following officers were reelected at the November meeting of the commission: Mrs. Robert W. Isley, chairman; Lucius M. Cheshire, vice-chairman; Mrs. Fred S. Cates, secretary; and E. Wilson Cole, treasurer. Mrs. Alfred Engstrom reported for the Research Committee, Grady A. Brown for the Grounds Committee of the Burwell School, and Dr. H. W. Moore for the Restoration Committee. George Watts Hill was named chairman of the Finance Committee. Mrs. Engstrom and Mrs. Quentin Patterson, cochairmen of the Bicentennial Committee, told of plans for 1975, which include a marker to William Churton, a marker on the grave of the son of William Hooper, feature stories on Hillsborough history in newspapers, and a slide program of Hillsborough protraits.

Historic Hope Foundation, Inc.

Glenn W. Woodley was recently appointed executive director of the foundation, according to an announcement made by John E. Tyler, president of Historic Hope Foundation. Mr. Woodley, a native of Tyrrell County, is a graduate of North Carolina State University and has a master's degree from Michigan State University. He has had further graduate work at Purdue University. His experience includes time spent as county development extension agent in Bertie County; employment with the Agricultural Research Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C.; and association with the Research Triangle Regional Planning Commission in the Research Triangle Park.

Lenoir County Historical Association

The association sponsored an open forum on November 19 for the purpose of formulating plans for the bicentennial for Lenoir County. Guest speaker was Dr. Larry Wheeler, a member of the North Carolina American Revolution Bicentennial staff. Reginald Stroud served as moderator for the meeting. The association set a goal of 200 new members for its membership drive, according to R. L. Hood, president. Mrs. James C. Dail was named chairman of the membership committee.

Malcolm Blue Historical Society

The society sponsored a contest for students of the Aberdeen Elementary School and the Aberdeen Middle School. Entitled "That's the Way It Was," the contest offered prizes for art work depicting people and life-styles in early Moore County. The Malcolm Blue House was opened and a guide available for young artists who wanted a close look at the house, the farm, and other structures in the vicinity. First-place winners in each grade received $3.00 and second-place winners, $2.00; "best of the show" winners, one from each school, were promised publication of their pictures in the local newspapers and in a forthcoming history of Aberdeen. The Malcolm Blue organization is working with the town of Aberdeen in planning a pictorial history of the Aberdeen area which is to be published this summer. Anyone owning and willing to lend Aberdeen pictures from the late 1800s and early 1900s should mail them to Mrs. Martha Clayton, P.O. Box 1205, Aberdeen, 28315.

Maxton Historical Society

The executive board of the society met in December to plan for a commemorative celebration in April and for a spring banquet for society members in February. The society sponsored the sale of the *Maxton Area Centennial Cookbook* as a fund-raising project. The town of Maxton was incorporated in 1874.

Mecklenburg Historical Association

Dr. Lindley Butler, historian in residence at Wentworth Community College, spoke on the restoration of the Wright Tavern in Wentworth when the association held its January meeting. The organization now has over 300 members, and various projects are being carried out as fund-raising projects to aid in the restoration of Latta Place. In November the county commissioners appropriated $110,000 for the restoration of this historic house. Bids for restoration were opened January 22, and plans are being made for a dedication ceremony on May 20. The house and approximately three acres were donated to the association by Crescent Land and Timber, a subsidiary of Duke Power Company.

Mordecai Square Historical Society

The group met January 14 to hear John Kenworthy-Browne, who discussed English country houses and described the work of the English National Trust. The trust is a foundation which promotes historic preservation, and the speaker is one of its consultants.

Murfreesboro Historical Association

The annual Lafayette Ball, a benefit for restoration projects, was held January 25. Jacques Kosciusko-Morizet, the French ambassador, and his wife attended the ball which pays tribute to the Marquis de Lafayette who visited Murfreesboro in 1825. The principal restoration project to benefit from the ball this year is the John Wheeler House, given to the association by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lee Smith, Jr., of Raleigh in 1970.

New Bern Historical Society Foundation

A committee of the organization has been supervising a thorough cleaning and repair of the Attmore-Oliver House. Those interested in joining the foundation should send their dues ($10.00 for a single membership) to the New Bern Historical Society Foundation, P.O. Box 119, New Bern, N.C., 28560.

Parkton Historical Foundation

The foundation was organized when eight people met on January 2, 1973; after a membership drive was held last fall, there were 170 members. First efforts were directed toward the retention of the Parkton depot, and in January, 1974, a contract was signed with the Seaboard Coastline Railroad Company in which conditions were specified under which the depot would be turned over to the foundation. Nearly $1,000 was raised last spring, and repairs and improvements have been made to the station and the grounds. Plans call for use of the office and waiting rooms as a railroad museum and the large freight room as a general museum for the Parkton area. Officers, elected in 1973 and still serving, are Mrs. Rhoda H. McMillan, president; Mr. Robert A. Hughes, vice-president; and Mrs. Horace Parnell, secretary and treasurer.

Person County Historical Society

E. Frank Stephenson, Jr., president of the Murfreesboro Historical Association, spoke at the November 26 meeting of the Person County society. He discussed adaptive restoration efforts being made in the Murfreesboro area and showed slides of work being done on historic buildings there. Mrs. Bruce Eaker is president of the Person County group.

Pitt County Historical Society

Lady Katherine Giles of London, a direct descendant of Lord De La Warr who in 1609 was appointed to serve as the first governor of Virginia, addressed a dinner meeting of the Pitt County Historical Society held at the Greenville Golf and Country Club on January 23. Lady Katherine was introduced by Dr. Ralph Hardee Rives, president of the society. Dr. Lawrence F. Brewster gave a report on preliminary plans for Pitt County's observance of the bicentennial.

Railroad House Historical Association

Directors met December 9 with President Hal Siler in charge of the meeting. Members learned that the old steam locomotive had been repainted, and a report was made concerning recent acquisitions.

Randolph County Historical Society

Congressman Ike Andrews spoke to the society January 2, discussing Andrew Jackson. The program was a continuation of the series on people and events tying in with local history; some accounts indicate that Jackson practiced law at one time in Johnstonville, a Randolph County town which is no longer extant. Mrs. John Hager, society president, announced that

Andrews had long been interested in studying Andrew Jackson material.

Rutherford County Historical Society

The society met November 21 at Isothermal Community College. Families in the area were urged to gather information on their ancestors as part of the local effort toward celebration of the bicentennial. The organization met again February 11. Those wishing additional information about the society and its work should contact Kenyon Withrow, president, whose address is Route 1, Ellenboro, 28040.

Scotland County Historical Association

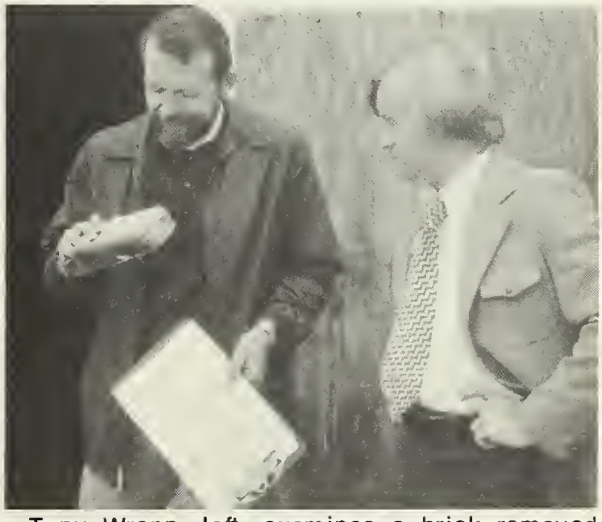
Plans were made in November for the February opening of the Shaw House, which will serve as the association's headquarters. The acquisitions committee worked through the winter in trying to get artifacts and papers of interest for safekeeping at the Shaw House.

Stanly County-Albemarle Historical Museum Association

An intensive membership drive was conducted during December and January, but the association will welcome those who wish to join at a later date. Individual memberships are $2.00 a year; they should be sent to the association at 112 North Third Street, Albemarle, 28001. For further information write to the association at the above address.

Thalian Hall Commission, Inc.

The commission is directing the preservation of Thalian Hall, the 1858 theater in Wilmington which was partially destroyed by fire some months ago. Mr. Tony Wrenn, architectural research specialist, when visiting the city in connection with a report on the historic district, reviewed work being done at the theater. New wiring, seating, and air conditioning will result in a comfortable and useful structure; occupancy is anticipated by late spring. Mrs. William H. Sutton is president of the commission.



Tony Wrenn, left, examines a brick removed from the foundation of Thalian Hall, while J. William Dalrymple, right, of the firm of Leslie N. Boney, Architect, looks on. (Photograph courtesy of Leslie N. Boney, Jr.).

Surry County Historical Society

A membership renewal campaign was begun in December. Individual memberships, which are $5.00, may be sent to Miss Ruth Minick, treasurer, at 341 Franklin Street, Mount Airy, 27030. The society is proceeding with plans for the Bernard Franklin House, but additional funds are needed for its restoration. Robert E. Merritt is president of the Surry organization.

Swain County Historical Society

The society met November 14 in Bryson City at the Marianna Black Library. Speaker was Dr. Richard Iobst, archivist at Western Carolina University whose topic was "Thomas Legion," an infantry battalion which was made up of several companies of Cherokee Indians.

Thomasville Historical Society

The society, founded in 1969, was reactivated November 11 after a period of inactivity. James Hoover was elected acting president, and the society set as its first goal the saving of the old railroad passenger station, which was scheduled for demolition. On December 12 the group met to discuss plans for the sale of prints of a drawing of the old depot. The 250 prints were sold for $20.00 each on a first-come, first-served basis, with proceeds earmarked for the railroad project.

Transylvania County Historical Association

The association, with the Transylvania County Historical Properties Commission and the Bicentennial Steering Committee, met December 14 to present the newest historical markers and to kick off the bicentennial observance. Markers presented by the association are in Silvermont Park in Brevard. The first commemorates the county's "Charter Oak," which was propagated from the Charter Oak, of the period of the Revolution, which was in Hartford, Connecticut. The tree was presented by Mrs. Mary Jane McCrary to the Transylvania Bicentennial Commission in the spring of 1973. The second marker commemorates the original Transylvania Historical Commission, which was appointed in 1949. Dr. Larry E. Tise, assistant director of the Division of Archives and History, was the main speaker. Officers of the Transylvania society are Hale Siniard, president; Mrs. Marian Schlunz, secretary; and J. H. Tinsley, treasurer.

Western North Carolina Historical Association

Lt. Col. Mack White (USAF ret.) was elected president of the association at the fall quarter meeting. Other officers are Robert Conway of Weaverville, vice-president; Mrs. Mary Chiltoskey of Cherokee, secretary; and Dr. Richard Iobst of Western Carolina University, treasurer. The association awarded its 1974 Thomas Wolfe Literary Award to Dr. Ruby J. Lanier of Appalachian State University for her book *Blanford Barnard Dougherty, Mountain Educator*. Speaker for the January 25 meeting was Mr. John Ellington, museum administrator with the Division of Archives and History.

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Calendar of Scheduled Events

March 24-26, Tryon Palace Symposium, New Bern. For information write to Mr. Donald R. Taylor, Tryon Palace Administrator, Box 1007, New Bern, N.C., 28560.

April 5, Duplin County Historical Society. For details write to Dr. W. Dallas Herring, P.O. Box 130, Rose Hill, N.C., 28458.

April 30, Museum of the Albemarle House Tour, Pasquotank County. Scheduled from 11:00 to 5:00. Contact Mrs. L. P. Hornthal, Jr., chairman, in care of the museum, U.S. 17 South, Route 3, Elizabeth City, N.C., 27909.

April 27-May 3, deluxe bus tour of historic properties in North Carolina, the first in a new series celebrating the bicentennial, sponsored by the National Trust for Historic Preservation and the Historic Preservation Society of North Carolina. Tour begins in Asheville; ends in Wilmington. Visits to sites in Greensboro, Hillsborough, Raleigh, Edenton, New Bern, and elsewhere. Cost is $300 per person plus $100 tax-deductible contribution to the National Trust and $50 tax-deductible contribution to the Historic Preservation Society of North Carolina. For details, write to the National Trust for Historic Preservation, 740-748 Jackson Place, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006.

June 8-18, Preservation and Planning Workshop, Chapel Hill. For information write to Greer Suttlemyre, Historic Sites Section, Division of Archives and History, 109 E. Jones St., Raleigh, N.C., 27611.

Note: Do you have information which should be included in this new feature? If so, write, giving pertinent details, to Mrs. Memory F. Mitchell, Historical Publication Section, Division of Archives and History, 109 E. Jones St., Raleigh, N.C., 27611.

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Mary Rogers Portrait Being Painted

A portrait of Mrs. Mary J. Rogers has been commissioned by her friends and co-workers to mark her nearly forty years of service to the North Carolina State Archives. The portrait is being painted by William C. Fields of Fayetteville. Persons wishing to contribute should send their tax-deductible contributions to the Mary J. Rogers Portrait Fund, Archives and Records Section, Division of Archives and History, 109 East Jones Street, Raleigh, 27611.

William C. Fields is shown working on the preliminary sketch for his portrait of Mary Rogers. (Photographs by Division of Archives and History unless otherwise specified.)

Museum of History Opens New Exhibits

On Sunday, May 18, the North Carolina Museum of History in cooperation with the North Carolina American Revolution Bicentennial and the Archives and Records Section will open a special exhibit "Manuscripts of the American Revolution." The exhibit was designed by the Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C., to herald the forthcoming bicentennial of the founding of

the United States. The exhibit consists of original documents lent by individuals and institutions; it includes letters from Washington, Nathanael Greene, John Hancock, and Lafayette. The exhibit also includes a letter from John Penn, one of the North Carolina signers of the Declaration of Indedence, to General Henry William Harrington dated September 20, 1780, lent by the North Carolina State Archives. The exhibit will be in the second floor gallery of the Museum of History until June 15.

At the same time, the Museum of History will also have a special exhibition of North Carolina Documents of the American Revolution in a display case on the first floor. This special exhibit will remain for several months.

The North Carolina Museum of History planned and executed several new exhibits during the spring. The initial exhibit in the series, "North Carolina Black Biography," opened on January 20; it featured the slave poet George Moses Horton. In February the exhibit was on Raleigh educator John Chavis; in March, Concord businessman Warren Coleman; and in April, author-educator Charles Waddell Chestnutt. May's exhibit will feature Charles N. Hunter, educator and businessman, and June's will concentrate on U.S. congressman George H. White.

On March 26 an exhibit entitled "Seventy-five Years of Service of the North Carolina Daughters of the American Revolution" was ready for viewing in the lobby of the Archives and History-State Library Building. The DAR and the Museum of History opened the exhibit with a tea that afternoon.

The Johnston carriage from Hayes Plantation will be on display in the Transportation Exhibit on the mezzanine of the museum. May 4 is set as the date for this opening.

Left, the Samuel Johnston carriage as it looked before restoration; right, Paul Mears, who restored it, is shown stepping down from the carriage.

Workshop on Preservation and Interpretation Is Held

The North Carolina American Revolution Bicentennial, Historic Sites, and Museum sections of the Division of Archives and History sponsored workshops on February 20 and 21. The first day's topic was "The Preservation of Historic Buildings and Objects." Speakers included Dr. Jeffrey J. Crow, heritage consultant with the Bicentennial; Mr. Samuel P. Townsend, assistant administrator of Historic Sites; Mr. John D. Ellington, administrator of the Museum of History; Ms. Janet Seapker and Mr. A. L. Honeycutt, Jr., both members of the Historic Sites staff; and Mrs. Betty O. Tyson

and Mr. Paul Mears, who are members of the Museum staff. Topics discussed included "Locating and Identifying Historic Structures as a Prerequisite of Preservation," "Restoration-Preservation of Historic Structures," "Preservation of Historical Objects through Proper Museum Collecting, Accessioning, Artifact Research, and Collections Control," and "Technical Methods for the Conservation of Historical Objects."

The second day was devoted to the topic "The Interpretation of Historic Sites and Objects." Messrs. Larry G. Misenheimer and Michael O. Smith of Historic Sites and Rodney Barfield and William Frick of the Museum discussed a number of topics. Among these were "Masterplanning for Interpretation of Historic Sites," "Authentic Furnishing of Historic Sites," "Preparing Storylines and Labels for Museum Exhibits," and "Designing, Constructing, and Installing Museum Exhibits."

The sessions were filmed on videotape for future use. Plans are being made to repeat the workshops because of the large number of registrants.

The workshop given on February 20-21 was taped through courtesy of the Office of State Personnel. The second workshop, scheduled for June 12-13, will cover the same material and be in the same format as the first except that videotape will be used for speeches of Messrs. Frick and Barfield. Tapes will be made of the other speakers' presentations in June so that they can subsequently be made available to persons and groups interested in using them. Dr. Jeffrey J. Crow is shown at the lectern in this photograph.

Highway Markers Approved

The Historical Highway Marker Advisory Committee met February 21 and approved the following markers: James H. Young and James H. Harris in Wake County; Red Hill in Cabarrus County; Col. John Starkey in Onslow County; Livingstone College in Rowan County; A. A. F. Seawell in Lee County; Hiram R. Revels in Cumberland County; Matthew L. McCorkle in Catawba County; and Cameron Morrison in Richmond County. Staff member Jerry Cashion now has responsibility for the marker program.

Tryon Palace Has Active Program

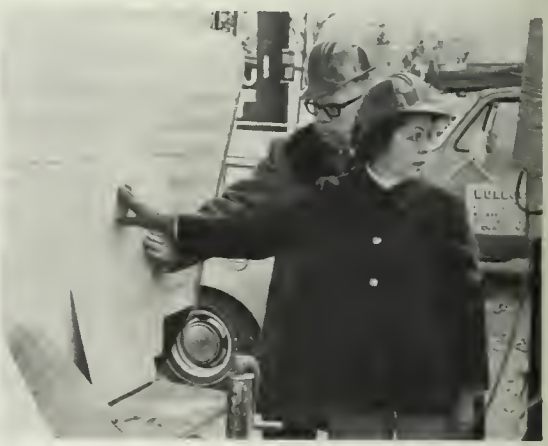
The third annual Gardner's Sunday at Tryon Palace was held April 6 when visitors were allowed to visit free of charge all gardens at the Tryon Place Complex. Horticulturist W. H. Rea, who has responsibility for the grounds, last fall planted 21,000 tulip bulbs which were shipped directly from Holland. These, plus pansies, camellias, azaleas, and other spring flowers were in bloom.

Tryon Palace lent seven of the quilts in its textile collection to the North Carolina Museum of History for exhibit in the recent "Artistry in Quilts" show. Further recognition of the Tryon Palace holdings is being given in a

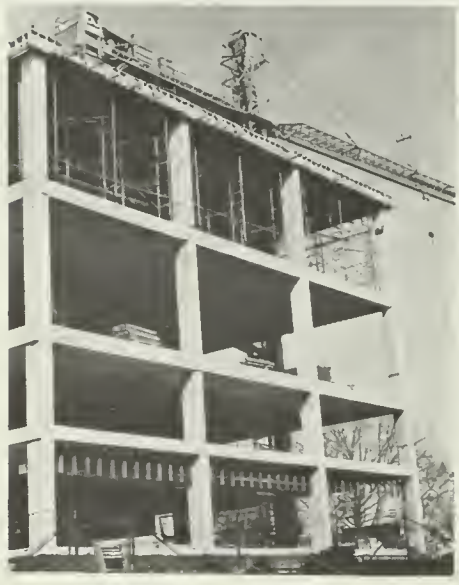
University of Kansas catalog of reverse paintings on glass located in United States museums. Four such examples are from the library at Tryon Palace. Two methods were employed in producing these paintings: the first was to paint on the reverse side of the glass with oils ground in shellac, varnish, or linseed oil; the second, used after 1650 in England, was done by painting a design which had been transferred to the glass.

New Records Center Construction on Schedule

Construction has moved rapidly on the new State Records Center/Archives Annex Building on Blount Street, immediately behind the Archives and History-State Library Building. The first floor will contain offices and work areas, and the other floors will hold shelving. The third and fourth floors will have mezzanine-type shelving with intermediate catwalks. Completion of the building is scheduled for November 1.



Above, left, Dr. Thornton W. Mitchell, state archivist; Graham Ferrell, construction superintendent; Mrs. Grace Rohrer, secretary of the Department of Cultural Resources; and Miss Kathy McCarter, assistant secretary, inspect the new building. Right, Dr. Mitchell and Mrs. Rohrer examine a sample of the cast-stone exterior being used on the building.



The photograph at the left shows progress made toward construction of the new building; the picture was taken in early March.

Institute for Advanced Researchers

From May 19 to May 23 the North Carolina State Archives will sponsor an institute for advanced researchers on the use of records, similar to the

first such institute held in 1974. Enrollment will be limited to twenty-five. The institute will consist of lectures, workshops, and projects involving the use of original records in the State Archives and the land grant office of the secretary of state. Sessions will be devoted to methodology and to cartographic, land, marriage, tax, census, and court records. In addition, a session will be devoted to "personal actions" such as naturalization, divorce, name change, and private petitions in state and county records. Applications will be accepted from the general public, but admission will be by selection from the most qualified applicants.

The State Archives sponsored its second workshop for beginning genealogists March 3-4. Shown here is Betty Yarbrough of the Archives staff delivering a paper on the military records in the North Carolina States Archives.

Records Are Accessioned

During the period December, 1974, through February, 1975, the Archives Branch accessioned a total of 188 items.

The Local Records Branch transferred records from Alamance (11 volumes), Buncombe (2 volumes), Carteret (108 boxes), Craven (1 item), Greene (15 volumes), Halifax (12 boxes), Lincoln (1 item), Martin (17 volumes), Northampton (38 volumes), Orange (1 volume, 110 boxes, and 13 marriage bonds), Pasquotank (20 boxes), Perquimans (15 boxes), Person (38 volumes), and Pitt (35 volumes) counties. Local Records also transferred security microfilm from all North Carolina counties except Tyrrell and security microfilm of church records from Anson and Wilkes counties and from various Baptist associations and the Methodist District Conference. Also received were security microfilm of Gatesville, Rockingham, North Wilkesboro, and Wilkesboro municipal records.

State agency records accessioned were minutes of the North Carolina Courts Commission (1 reel) transferred by the State Records Branch; Governor's Papers, 1969 (3 boxes); Division of Archives and History, Local Records Branch general correspondence (21 boxes); and Division of Archives and History, Historical Publications Section records (1 reel).

New private collections accessioned were the Asheville Tobacco Works Papers, the Black Mountain Bank Papers, the John Giles Fleming Papers, the Trenton Cotton Mills Papers (microfilm), and nine account books. Additions were made to the following existing private collections: Mr. and Mrs. Frederick P. Mangold Papers, the Claude H. Moore Collection, the Reconstruction Papers, the Robert W. Scott II Collection, and the Frank Vaughan Papers.

Above, left, are Wiley Brooks and Clyde Gallop, students at North Carolina State University, who are arranging and describing records of the state penitentiary for their course in archival administration (History 552) which is taught by Dr. Thornton W. Mitchell, state archivist. Right, Mrs. Carrie Lee Matthews, supervisor of the North Carolina State Bank records center in Charlotte, is introduced to the document restoration process by Ray Hocutt as part of her two-day study of the care and storage of records in the State Archives.

Left, Kay Galloway of Greensboro, a senior at Converse College in South Carolina, is shown in the Search Room working on a project for setting up an index to cohabitation records of former slaves, 1866-1868, during the five weeks she was an intern in the Archives Branch.

Significant accessions to the Audiovisual Collection were the transfer of the Archives and History Photograph Collection (formerly the Museum of History Photograph Collection) and the *News and Observer* Photograph Collection, 1938-1973; other items received were one 45 RPM record, one motion picture film, and five reels of magnetic tape.

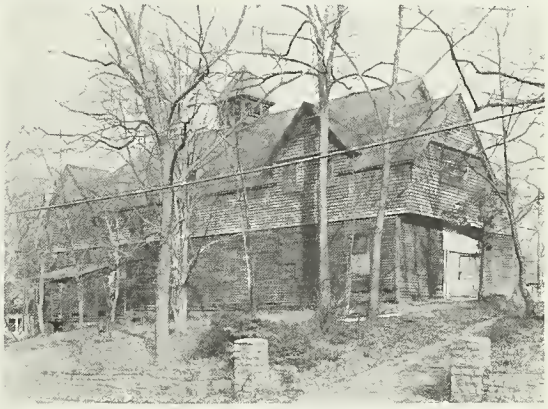
Other accessions included additions to the records of the American War Mothers, Black Mountain College, the Sir Walter Cabinet, and the United Daughters of the Confederacy; the records of Women-in-Action for the Prevention of Violence and Its Causes, Inc. (2 boxes); eighteen miscellaneous genealogies and Bible records; church histories from Anson and Wake counties; two additions to the Civil War Collection and one to the War of 1812 Collection; local histories from Chatham and Cumberland counties; and one reel of microfilmed English Records.

Dates Set for 1975 Culture Week

At a meeting of the Culture Week Coordinating Committee held on March 14, the dates of November 4-8 were set for the annual meetings of the thirteen organizations making up the Culture Week participating societies. Headquarters will be the Sir Walter Hotel.

Because of conflicts with other meetings scheduled for November, the decision was made to return to the post-Thanksgiving dates in future years. The 1976 meetings will be held November 30-December 4.

National Register Roster Grows



Pictured here are six additions to the National Register of Historic Places. Top, left, is Waterloo (Grady House) in Duplin County; right, the Patty Person Taylor House in Franklin County. Middle, left, the Andrew-Seagle Farm in Lincoln County; right, Mowfield, Northampton County. Bottom row, left, the Capehart House on Wilmington Street in Raleigh and the Tucker Carriage House on St. Mary's Street in Raleigh, Wake County. The Capehart House was photographed by Tony Vaughn; the photographer of the Seagle Farm is unknown; others were taken by Randall Page. In the March issue of *Carolina Comments*, the location of Ebenezer Church was inadvertently given as Edgecombe County; the site is Chatham County.

Literary Entries Invited

The North Carolina Literary and Historical Association, which administers the literary competitions for the sponsoring organizations, announces that the deadline for receipt of books for the 1975 competition is July 15. Three copies of each eligible book must be received in the association's office at 109 East Jones Street, Raleigh, 27611, by that date.

Basic eligibility requirements are that the author must have been an actual or legal resident of North Carolina for the three years immediately preceding June 30, 1975; and that the book, published between July 1, 1974, and June 30, 1975, must contain original, previously unpublished work of the author and deal with nontechnical subjects. The following awards are given: Mayflower Cup for nonfiction (sponsored by the Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of North Carolina); Sir Walter Raleigh for fiction (sponsored by the Historical Book Club of North Carolina); Roanoke-Chowan Award for poetry (sponsored by the Roanoke-Chowan Group); and the AAUW Award for juvenile literature (sponsored by the North Carolina Chapter of the American Association of University Women).

Books received as of April 1 were as follows: MAYFLOWER: Adolph L. Dial and David K. Eliades, *The Only Land I Know*; Harry Golden, *Long Live Columbus*; Robert E. Lee, *Blackbeard the Pirate: A Reappraisal of His Life and Times*; Harold T. Parker and Marvin L. Brown, Jr., *Major Themes in Modern European History: An Invitation to Inquiry and Reflection*, Volumes I, II, and III; Manly Wade Wellman, *The Story of Moore County*; John Foster West and Bruce Roberts, *This Proud Land*. SIR WALTER RALEIGH: Joan Marans Dim, *Recollections of a Rotten Kid*; John Ehle, *The Changing of the Guard*; Edward Dixon Garner, *Sketchbook from Hell*; Heather Ross Miller, *A Spiritual Divorce and other Stories*; Fred T. Morgan, *Uwharrie Magic*. ROANOKE-CHOWAN: Ann Deagon, *Carbon 14*; Ann Deagon, *Poetics South*; Ellen Turlington Johnston, *So What Happened to You?*; P. B. Newman, *Paula*. AAUW: LeGette Blythe, *The Stableboy Who Stayed at Bethlehem*; LeGette Blythe, *When Was Jesus Born?*; Nell Wise Wechter, *Teach's Light*.

Staff Additions Include New Bicentennial Administrator

Mrs. Frances F. Tomlin of Concord was named administrator of the North Carolina American Revolution Bicentennial Committee in February. Mrs. Grace J. Rohrer, secretary of the Department of Cultural Resources, announced the appointment of Mrs. Tomlin, former legislator and seven-year member of the Concord City School Board. The new administrator was a 1970 delegate to the White House Conference on Children; she is well known in her hometown for her numerous civic and religious responsibilities. The Lincolnton native attended high school in Arlington, Virginia, and went from there to Southwestern University. Her husband, Dr. Edwin M. Tomlin, is a urologist in Concord. Mrs. Tomlin succeeds Mrs. Dabney Enderle whose resignation was effective February 4.

Mrs. Tomlin

The Historic Sites Section now has a consulting architect as a member of its staff. Mr. John W. Kinney, Jr., reported for work March 12. The 1968 graduate of North Carolina State University also attended Salem College

and Duke University; he was formerly employed as an architect with John D. Latimer & Associates of Durham.

Several members of the Archives and History staff have participated in out-of-state meetings in recent weeks. Director Robert E. Stipe, accompanied by Mr. Bruce MacDougal, administrator; Ms. Catherine W. Cockshutt, survey supervisor; and Mr. A. L. Honeycutt, restoration supervisor, all of Historic Sites Section and Mr. William W. Dodge III, member of the professional review board, traveled to Washington, D.C., for a meeting of the State Historic Preservation Officers February 3-5. Ms. Kathleen Pepi, preservation planner, attended a National Trust for Historic Preservation 1975 Community Preservation Conference at Woodlawn Plantation, Mt. Vernon, Virginia, in February.

Dr. Thornton W. Mitchell, state archivist, spoke to the Tennessee Historical Society in Nashville, Tennessee, April 8; his subject was "North Carolina Records Relating to Tennessee." Mrs. Memory F. Mitchell, historical publications administrator, read a paper, "Publishing in State Historical Journals" at a meeting of the Organization of American Historians in Boston, Massachusetts, April 18.

Speakers at meetings in North Carolina included Samuel P. Townsend, Richard F. Knapp, Janet K. Seapker, Ruth Little-Stokes, Frederick A. Masseno, Michael O. Smith, Bruce MacDougal, Edward F. Turberg, James McPherson, William B. Edwards, Jr., Archie C. Smith, Jr., Jerry L. Cross, Richard W. Sawyer, Jr., and Gerald Butler of the Historic Sites Section; Mrs. Mitchell, Mrs. Mary Reynolds Peacock, and Miss Beth Crabtree of the Historical Publications Section; and Dr. Thornton W. Mitchell of the Archives and Records Section.

George Stinagle, site manager at the Reed Gold Mine State Historic Site, reported that the local Boy Scout annual "deep freeze" camp-out was held at the site in January.

Obituaries

Charles Alexander White of Greenville, past president of the Pitt County Historical Society and a civic and cultural leader in the Pitt County area, died on March 2.

George D. Colclough, longtime leader in the Alamance County Historical Association and member of the board of the North Carolina Genealogical Society, died January 30.

Southern Labor History Conference Formed

A Southern Labor History Conference is being organized and will hold its first two-day meeting at Georgia State University in the spring of 1976. The organizing committee will welcome suggestions for speakers and topics. Further information may be obtained from Dr. David B. Gracy II, Archivist, Southern Labor Archives, Georgia State University, Atlanta, Georgia, 30303.

Colleges and Universities

Campbell College

Ms. Ruth Little-Stokes of the Historic Sites Section of the Division of Archives and History spoke on "Preservation of Historical Architecture in

North Carolina" on February 10 when the school's home economics and social science clubs held a joint meeting. The program was illustrated with slides.

Guilford College

Dr. Alexander R. Stoesen was a panelist on a discussion of "Politics of the Piedmont," presented on a February 17 television program. "The Origins of Deism in the 18th Century" was the topic chosen by Henry Hood when he spoke on February 2 at the Unitarian Church in Winston-Salem. Study leave will be granted in 1975-1976 to James F. Gifford, Jr., whereby he will have time to work toward a second volume of his history of Duke University's Medical Center; he will also edit a study of its contemporary activities and services.

Lenoir Community College

Speaker for the first of three forums on the theme of "Ethics in Government" was Dr. Larry Tise, assistant director of the Division of Archives and History. His topic for the February 4 meeting was "The Ideals and Realities of Ethics in Government at the Time of the American Revolution." Dr. Tise was presented by Robert L. Hood, president of the Lenoir County Historical Association, which cosponsored the opening session. On February 11 Dr. Albert Coates, professor emeritus and founder of the Institute of Government in Chapel Hill, spoke on "The Rule of Law and Bill of Rights: The Evolution of Freedom and Continued Concern for Ethical Government." Final speaker was Rep. Walter Flowers of the United States House of Representatives whose February 18 topic was "The Impact of Watergate on Ethics in Government."

Meredith College

Dr. Thomas C. Parramore published an article, "Lafayette Would Remember," in the February issue of *New East*; he and his wife, Dr. Barbara M. Parramore, spoke in Greenville on February 14 at the East Carolina University Social Studies Seminar; they discussed the American Revolution in North Carolina. Erika S. Fairchild is being promoted to assistant professor as of August 1. Meredith was host to the biennial Conference of Social Sciences in the North Carolina Baptist Colleges, March 21-22. A panel on internships and a slide-lecture on Victorian Oakwood, followed by a guided tour, were presented. A new major in political science has been approved, effective immediately.

North Carolina School of the Arts

William A. Pruitt spoke in Atlanta, Georgia, February 20 to representatives from Mercer University, Stonehill College, and the University of California at Santa Cruz on "Curriculum Development and Faculty Development at the North Carolina School of the Arts." On February 21, 22, 28, and March 1, Dr. Betty Weaver Talbert spoke on "Personal Values in a World of Flux" at the Value Assessment Seminar at Reynolda House in Winston-Salem.

Pfeiffer College

On April 19 the college sponsored a "History Bowl" competition among

teams representing local high schools. Pfeiffer was named a "Bicentennial College"—the first so named in North Carolina. The designation was made by the North Carolina American Revolution Bicentennial Committee and the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration in Washington because of its outstanding program.

Queens College

Dr. William A. Thompson will join the staff as assistant professor of history effective August 27. Dr. Thompson, whose Ph.D. is from Vanderbilt, will be going to Queens from Stetson University.

Rockingham Community College

The college participated in a three-part bicentennial lecture series, "Reassessment of the American Experiment," which was funded by the North Carolina Humanities Committee. The same series was presented in Rockingham, Randolph, and Davidson counties. "What Was the Vision of the Founding Fathers?" was the topic of E. Maynard Adams, Kenan Professor of Philosophy at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; "To What Extent Has the Vision Been Realized?" was discussed by Richard Bardolph, head of the Department of History at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro; and "What Is Our Vision for Our Third Century?" was that of Waldo Beach, professor of social ethics, Duke University Divinity School. The lectures were given on February 5, 12, and 19 in Lexington; February 6, 13, and 20 in Asheboro; and February 10, 17, and 24 in Wentworth.

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

The North Carolina Collection has recently acquired a previously unknown North Carolina imprint from Miss Austin Page Lilly of Lexington, Kentucky. It is Samuel C. Caldwell's *Practical Thoughts on Faith, Unbelief, &c.*, published by Francis Coupee at Salisbury in 1801. The collection's curator, Dr. H. G. Jones, was one of approximately twenty-five persons to attend the American Assembly in Harriman, New York, April 3-5. The assembly, which discusses an issue of public interest and considers alternatives for national policy, took as the 1975 subject the matter of records of public officials. Dr. Jones was named a delegate because of his advocacy of legislation to declare presidential records public property.

Wake Forest University

Dr. Cyclone Cover published an article, "Velikovsky's 'Reconstruction' of Ancient History," in the *Anthropological Journal of Canada*, XIII, no. 1 (1975). Dr. J. Edwin Hendricks, a member of both the North Carolina and the Winston-Salem-Forsyth County bicentennial commissions, has spoken to a number of groups interested in the bicentennial. He is chairman of the publications committee of the local group and is in the process of editing a new history of Forsyth County.

Winston-Salem State University

Dr. Ukaonu Uche's *Education in Nigeria* was published by the Piedmont Press in February.

State, County, and Local Groups

Alamance County Historical Association

The association is selling a history of the Coble family, which consists of a history of the family in Germany, the coat of arms, and much other information. The 200-plus-page history is available from the Burlington Merchants Association, 312 West Front Street, Burlington, for $8.00 per copy.

Anson County Historical Society

A slate of twenty-five directors was elected at the annual meeting on January 28. President John J. Dunlap outlined plans for 1975: a membership and fund-raising drive, work on the bicentennial with assurance of publication of the county's history, and improvement to existing properties. Repairs are needed at the Boggan-Hammond House. The finance committee reported that the society has an outstanding indebtedness of over $70,000.

Beaufort Historical Association

Officers for 1975 were elected when the association held a dinner and business meeting at the Josiah Bell House on January 27. Mrs. David Cloud was reelected president; serving with her are Mrs. Snowden Thompson, vice-president; Mrs. Elizabeth Anger, secretary; Mrs. Osborne Davis, treasurer; and Miss Nancy Russell, recording secretary. Plans were discussed relative to moving the apothecary shop to the restoration area. Mrs. Roy Davis reported that contracts for the first phase of Fort Macon restoration would be let in February with work scheduled to begin in April. Mr. and Mrs. Terrance Bisson and Mr. and Mrs. Tim Cowles, all of Beaufort, presented a concert of early recorder music. Anyone interested in joining the association should send $5.00 to the Beaufort Historical Association in care of Miss Nancy Russell, 111 Marsh Street, Beaufort, 28516.

Burke County Historical Society

New president of the society is Robert B. Byrd, an attorney of Morganton. Serving with him are other officers elected at the January meeting: John Randolph, first vice-president; Dr. E. R. White, second vice-president; and Danny Lingerfelt, third vice-president. Continuing their terms of office are Miss Abbie Ross, treasurer; Mrs. O. L. Horton, secretary; and Mrs. Douglas Barnett, curator. Speaker for the January meeting was Dr. Fletcher Nelson of Morganton, who discussed the early history of Methodism in Burke County.

Brunswick County Historical Society

The society's February meeting was held at the visitor center at Brunswick Town State Historic Site on February 10. Rick Masseno, a member of the Historic Sites Section of the Division of Archives and History, was the speaker. Those interested in joining or acquiring further information about the organization should write to the society at Box 356, Southport, N.C., 28461.

Cary Historical Society

The organization met February 16 at the Cary Presbyterian Church. The

group toured historic cemeteries in the town.

Chapel Hill Historical Society

Meeting at the Institute of Government on March 2, members of the society heard Dr. H. G. Jones, curator of the North Carolina Collection, whose topic was "The Difference that Counts." He compared the progressiveness of North Carolina with that of other states. Announcement has been made of plans to publish a revised version of the Chapel Hill and university brochure, prepared by John Macfie and Alan Boles.

Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Properties Commission

Dr. Chalmers G. Davidson of Davidson College was appointed in January to a three-year term as county representative on the commission. This is the first appointment of a county representative from Davidson. Chairman of the commission is Mr. Edgar Love III.

Cleveland County Historical Association

On January 27 the association reviewed ideas for exhibits to be included in the proposed county historical museum. A museum, to be located in the old courthouse, will concentrate on the period 1841-1941. Cleveland County was founded in 1841. Dr. Wyan Washburn, president, has called for suggestions and has appointed chairmen to head committees on the founding of the county, government, agriculture, service organizations, communications, and bicentennial preparation.

Commission on Archives and History, North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church

The semiannual meeting of the commission was held March 1 at St. John's United Methodist Church near Gibson. Chairman Ralph Hardee Rives presided. Plans for observance of the bicentennial of the founding of the Carolina Circuit; for continuation of a project to assemble histories of all churches in the North Carolina conference; and for committees of directors in Whitaker's Chapel and Rehoboth Church, both of historical significance, were discussed during the day. Attention was called to the biographical sketches of prominent North Carolina clergymen and other important information in *The Encyclopedia of World Methodism*, a two-volume work published in 1974.

Currituck County Historical Society

A short slide program on the history of duck decoys was presented when members gathered for their February 10 meeting at the Knapp High School cafeteria. Officers of the 126-member organization are Mrs. Barbara Snowden of Currituck, president; Mrs. Grace Griggs of Point Harbor, vice-president; Mrs. Nickolas Newbern of Jarvisburg, secretary; and Curtis Gray of Coinjock, treasurer.

Davidson County Historical Society

Despite efforts of the society and interested citizens, the old Southern Railway passenger station in downtown Lexington could not be saved from

demolition. Various proposals were made with respect to uses to which the structure could be put, but it was not possible to work out plans whereby the historic structure could be preserved.

Eastern North Carolina Genealogical Society

The February meeting was held at Craven Community College in New Bern at which time the society sponsored a seminar conducted by Ronald A. Bremer, president of GENCOR, Inc., of Salt Lake City. The speaker discussed the most important genealogical sources and repositories in the United States and Europe, emphasizing the importance of county court records, deeds, wills, and probates. Another seminar conducted by Mr. Bremer is being planned. Persons interested in genealogy who would like to join the society may obtain information by writing to P.O. Box 395, New Bern, 28560.

Gaston County Historical Society

The *Gaston County Historical Bulletin* for the year 1974 includes reports of meetings in February, May, August, and November of last year. In February the society met in Cherryville at the public library; in May, at the Cramerton School Cafeteria; in August, in the Abbey Room of Belmont Abbey College library; and in May, in the old county jail in Dallas which has been restored and is now used as a tack and western clothing shop. Programs were presented on the village of Cramerton and its development, on Indians who lived in the Piedmont section of North Carolina, and on restoration of the Dallas jail. Officers of the society are William N. Craig of Gastonia, president; Mrs. Harmon O. Williams of Dallas, vice-president; Mrs. Helen H. Babington, 203 Forest Hills, Gastonia, 28025, secretary; and Dalton Stowe of Dallas, treasurer. Editor of the *Bulletin* is Mrs. William N. Craig, Route 3, Box 369, Union Road, Gastonia, 28025. Membership in the society, which is $2.00 annually, includes a subscription to the *Bulletin*.

Greensboro Historical Museum

Patricia Hurdle, who formerly worked with the North Carolina Museum of History, joined the staff as curator of collections at the Greensboro Historical Museum several weeks ago. Mrs. Christine Jaycox, curator of education, is developing educational programs for children; and a museum lecture series was recently begun with a discussion by Mrs. Richard Fields, a collector of miniature furnishings. Both staff and programs of the museum are being expanded under the leadership of Director William J. Moore. A selection of regional furnishings was installed in the museum's exhibit area. The first class of docents recently assumed responsibility for tours and other special projects.

Elected president of the museum for 1975 is Mr. Ray H. Stallings, who also serves as treasurer of the Greensboro Preservation Society. New board chairman is a past president of the museum, Mr. William H. White; he succeeds Mr. A. Earl Weatherly who has been named chairman emeritus.

High Point Museum

Speaker at the March 13 lecture series sponsored by the museum was

Bruce MacDougal, administrator of the Historic Sites Section of the Division of Archives and History. He took as his topic, "A Survey of Architectural Styles in North Carolina." Officers elected during the meeting are Robert T. Amos, Jr., president; James H. Millis, vice-president; Mrs. Fred Browning, secretary; Robert B. Rankin, treasurer; and Mrs. Roger Edwards, assistant secretary. The Mary Lib Joyce Award was presented to Mrs. G. Edward Wertz and Mrs. Browning for their outstanding service to the society; the presentation was made by J. V. Morgan, the first recipient.

Hillsborough Historical Society

The society presented a series of programs during the spring, the first being held February 20 in Strudwick Hall in Hillsborough. Dr. Duncan Heron and Mrs. Carl Anderson talked and showed slides on the West Point Mill and plans for its restoration. A month later talks were given on some of the Hillsborough homes opened for the spring tour; and on April 10 members were asked to bring and discuss objects of historical interest. A walking tour of the historic town was held the afternoons of April 19 and 20.

Historic Preservation Society of Durham

Officers of the society are Mrs. Egbert L. Haywood, president; Mrs. Albert Carr, vice-president; Mrs. Angus McBryde, secretary; Mrs. Charles Livengood, assistant secretary; Mrs. Harry VanStraatan, treasurer; Mrs. C. B. Martin, assistant treasurer; and Mrs. Steed Rollins, custodian. Correspondence for the society may be addressed to 28 Oak Drive, Durham, N.C., 27707.

Historic Wilmington Foundation

Speaker at a January meeting was Janet Seapker, survey specialist with the Historic Sites Section of the Division of Archives and History. She took as her topic, "Unique Historic Architecture of Wilmington." Slides were used to illustrate the talk.

Historical Halifax Restoration Association

The association met March 11 at the WRAL-TV auditorium in Raleigh. The chairman is Ray S. Wilkinson.

Historical Society of North Carolina

Hosts for the spring meeting were the Division of Archives and History and the Tryon Palace Commission, with the society convening at Tryon Palace in New Bern. Following coffee at the Jones House, members toured the John Wright Stanly House. Speakers for the evening program were Dr. Carolyn A. Wallace of the Southern Historical Collection who talked on "Historians, Manuscripts, and Copyrights" and Dr. William S. Price, Jr., of the Division of Archives and History who discussed the editing of the new series of colonial records. Dr. Mattie H. Russell of Duke University, president, presided at the business meeting held before dinner at the Ramada Inn.

Lincoln County Historical Society

The society donated funds to the Lincoln County Public Library whereby

the library was able to purchase a new microfilm reader-printer. Frank Hull Crowell is president of the county society.

Lower Cape Fear Historical Society

The February issue of the society's *Bulletin* contained an article, "The Early Germans," by Bobbie Marcroft. Leora H. McEachern and Isabel M. Williams compiled *Lower Cape Fear Revolutionary War Events, 1775* for the Wilmington-New Hanover County American Revolution Bicentennial Association; a copy was enclosed with the newsletter of the historical society. Mrs. Grace J. Rohrer, secretary of the Department of Cultural Resources, spoke at the February 13 meeting, held in the St. James Great Hall in Wilmington.

McDowell County Historical Society

The winter meeting was held on January 17 in the McDowell Public Library. Carter Hudgins, geologist and writer of Marion, presented a program of nature slides. President of the group is Mrs. Worth Cox.

Malcolm Blue Historical Society

The society has recently finished the first phase of the preservation of the Malcolm Blue House, an 1825 Sandhills property. A cedar shingle roof was applied and the exterior painted. Bathroom and kitchen facilities, gas firelogs, and a heater make the place suitable for use by groups wanting a meeting place. The society is making progress in its endeavors to acquire barns and outbuildings along with additional farmland. An ultimate goal of the society is the creation of a living history farm.

Maxton Historical Society

The first annual banquet of the society was held at the St. Andrews Presbyterian College cafeteria the evening of February 17. Sen. Hector McLean of Lumberton, immediate past president of the North Carolina Society of County and Local Historians, was speaker. Music was provided by the Centennial Singers, a group formed during the recent centennial celebration of the town.

Mecklenburg Historical Association

On March 18 the association heard Mr. Joe Byerly of Greensboro, an expert in the field of antiques who is also a consultant to the Greensboro and High Point museums and to Tryon Palace. On May 20, at a dinner meeting to be held at Sugaw Creek Presbyterian Church, the speaker will be Rep. James G. Martin. The organization now has a membership of over 400 and has been given space for its records and acquisitions in the new Charlotte Chamber of Commerce quarters.

Murfreesboro Historical Association, Inc.

A $3,000 check from the James and Mary Camp Foundation of Franklin, Virginia, was presented to the association on January 25. The money will be used for restoration of the John Wheeler House, donated to the association by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lee Smith, Jr., of Raleigh. The grant money will be used to match available state funds.

The William Hardy Murfree House. (Photograph by Colbert P. Howell, courtesy of the Murfreesboro Historical Association.)

Thanks to a grant from the Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation, the association recently purchased the William Hardy Murfree House, located on William Street in the Historic District. Research indicates the house was probably constructed in 1810 by George Gordon and William Hardy Murfree who operated a business under the name of Murfree and Gordon. County records for the period have been destroyed, making it impossible to pinpoint the exact date of construction. Both Walter C. Lackey, president of the association, and E. Frank Stephenson, Jr., its executive director, expressed appreciation to the foundation for its generosity. The Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation has also made three earlier grants for restoration projects in Murfreesboro.

Museum of the Albemarle

The museum has 230 members, and attendance for 1974 totaled 4,438. These and other statistics were included in the March newsletter which contained the annual report of the executive secretary. Dr. J. A. Gill is president of the museum; Mrs. George Wood, vice-president; Sarah Bunn, secretary; and Terry Daniels, treasurer.

North Carolina Genealogical Society

The regular quarterly meeting of the society was held in Salisbury on Saturday, March 22. The morning meeting was held in the old Rowan County Courthouse with Mrs. Stahle Linn, Jr., Miss Edith Clark, Mr. James Lloyd, and Mr. James Brawley as speakers. In the afternoon the members enjoyed a walking tour of the Salisbury historic district although many engaged in research in the McCubbins Collection of the Rowan Public Library. The next meeting of the society will be at the Wilkes Community College, North Wilkesboro, on Saturday, June 21.

The first issue of the *North Carolina Genealogical Society Journal* has been published and will appear hereafter as a quarterly. Membership in the society is $10.00 per year, and dues may be sent to P.O. Box 1492, Raleigh, 27602.

Old Salem

John F. Bivins, Jr., director of restoration for Old Salem and curator of its collection, resigned effective May 15. Having made flintlock rifles on a part-time basis since 1964, he has decided to devote all his time to gunsmithing and will establish a shop in his home in Winston-Salem.

Person County Historical Society

The society's president, Mrs. Madeline Eaker, recently announced a mem-

bership drive. Single memberships are $2.00.

Pitt County Historical Society

Pitt County leaders met February 27 in Greenville at the call of the society's president, Dr. Ralph Hardee Rives, to discuss plans for the county's observance of the bicentennial. Dr. Herbert R. Paschal, chairman of the Department of History at East Carolina University and a member of the North Carolina American Revolution Bicentennial Committee, reviewed national and state plans. He announced that Pitt County commissioners had appropriated $3,000 for the current year to help finance the observance. The Pitt County Historical Society is planning a history of the county which will be published in 1976 as its contribution to the bicentennial. Plans were made for a steering committee and an executive director.

Rockingham County Historical Society

With the February newsletter sent to members was a bibliography of Rockingham County History, compiled by Dr. Lindley Butler, with assistance of members of his classes. Dr. Butler offered two courses in state and local history during the spring months; these were given through the Continuing Education Division of Rockingham Community College. The society hopes that restoration of the Wright Tavern will be nearly completed within a few months and that the fall meeting can be held there. The Rockingham County Historical Society is also cooperating with the county bicentennial committee, whose chairman is Charles D. Rodenbough.

Rutherford County Historical Society

On February 11 members of the society met in the Administrative Auditorium of Isothermal Community College for a slide program of the county presented by Ruth Bell and Matthew McEnnerney. Persons with Rutherford County ancestors were urged to attend and to provide information on their families for the bicentennial celebration.

Scotland County Historical Association

The organization began collecting documents several months ago in preparation for the April opening of the Shaw House, which will serve as its headquarters. Efforts were also directed toward the goal of acquiring Victorian furniture for the house. Chairman of the association's board is Alton B. Gibson.

Vance County Historical Society

The directors of the society voted to sponsor the Vance County Historical Society Award which was presented at the History Fair at Rollins School in

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April. The fair is a project of the Vance Junior Historian Club. Sale of an 1882 map of Henderson is a fund-raising project of the society; the directors presented copies of the map to the Perry Memorial Library.

Wachovia Historical Society

In a letter from the president to members, proof of success during 1974 was evident. Ninety-two new members were enrolled and the financial situation was optimistic. Edwin L. Stockton, Jr., is president of the society and Mrs. Zachary T. Bynum is treasurer.

Western North Carolina Historical Association

In January a special committee was appointed to make plans for the Smith-McDowell House, 283 Victoria Road, a restoration project of the association. The committee, in one of its three meetings, decided to call the project the Western North Carolina Heritage Center. Sale of tickets to a concert by the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra on March 18 was a recent fund-raising project of the association.

Wilson County Historical Society

The society met February 18 on the campus of Atlantic Christian College. Miss Nancy Gray lead discussion on the feasibility of a spring tour of historical areas in the county. She showed color pictures she had made of historic sites in the town and county.

Calendar of Scheduled Events

May 18, "Manuscripts of the American Revolution," traveling exhibit of Smithsonian Institution, opens at Museum of History.

May 20, dinner meeting of Mecklenburg Historical Association, Sugaw Creek Presbyterian Church, with Rep. James G. Martin as speaker.

May 19-23, Institute for Advanced Researchers, State Archives (limited enrollment).

May, "Month of Sundays" series in Museum of History to feature Shakespeare films.

June, "Month of Sundays" to have series called "The Dance."

Questions from the Mail

Q. How may I obtain a copy of the catalog of quilts featured in the recent exhibit, "Artistry in Quilts"?

A. Send $1.50 to Mrs. Gail Jordan, North Carolina Museum of History, 109 East Jones Street, Raleigh, 27611.

Q. When will the marriage bond index be completed and what information will it contain? Will copies of the index be available to the public?

A. Surviving marriage bonds are being merged into a single statewide index by name of bride and of groom; because of technical difficulties, it will not be completed for about two years. It will consist of 25,000 pages of computer index, and microfilm copies will be available for about $150 per set.

Q. Are copies of *Silversmiths of North Carolina* still available?

A. Only 1,000 copies were printed, but a limited number are still for sale at $15.00 each from the Historical Publications Section of the Division of Archives and History.

Note: This column, with questions and answers of general interest, summarized from recent correspondence with the Division of Archives and History, will be published when space permits.

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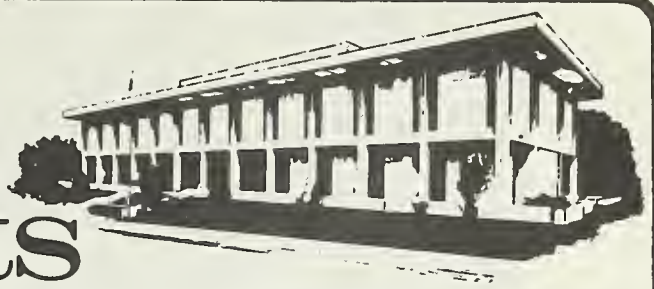

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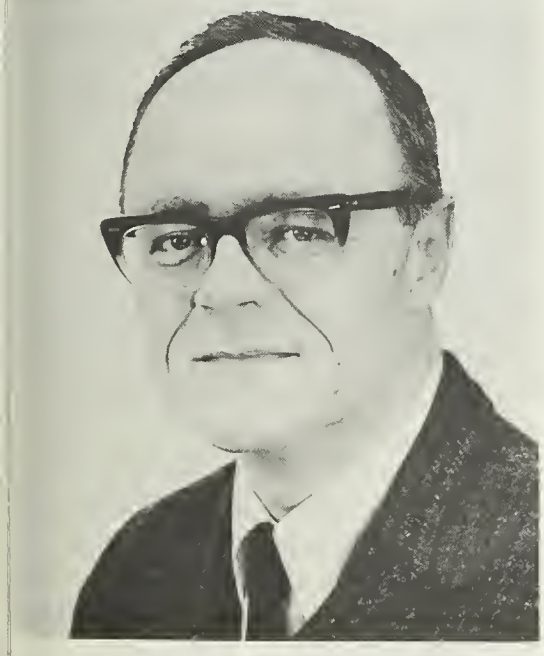
Health Forces Archives and History Director to Resign

Dr. Robert E. Stipe, who assumed the directorship of the Division of Archives and History September 1 of last year, announced on May 21 that he would be resigning from the position. Having undergone open-heart surgery last spring, Dr. Stipe cited increasing health problems and orders from his doctors as necessitating his decision. Mrs. Grace J. Rohrer, secretary of the Department of Cultural Resources, expressed regret that Dr. Stipe's health would not permit him to continue as director and thanked him for sharing his talents and abilities with the division during the past year. She said she hopes to be able to utilize his outstanding assets as an authority in the field of historic preservation should he later be able to work on a part-time basis as a consultant.

Mrs. Rohrer announced that Dr. Larry E. Tise, who has served as assistant director of the division since September, would serve as acting director until a decision is made with regard to Dr. Stipe's replacement.



Above, left, Dr. Stipe; right, Dr. Tise. (Photographs by Division of Archives and History unless otherwise noted.)

North Carolina Historical Commission Meets, Has New Members

Consideration of properties of potential local or statewide historical interest and value, and public hearings on fifteen special appropriations bills for historic preservation were highlights of a two-day meeting of the North Carolina Historical Commission, May 6-7. Other chief concerns of the commission were security of the State Archives and a review of the programs of the Division of Archives and History.

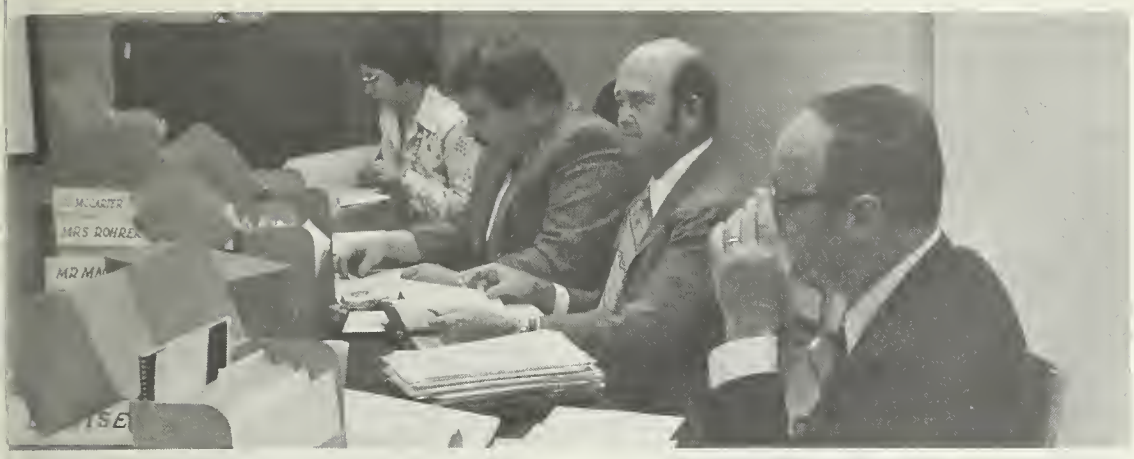
During sessions on May 6 the commission acted as the State Professional Review Committee to review and recommend historical and archaeological properties for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places. Approximately eighty-seven properties of potential local or statewide historical interest and value were brought to the attention of the commission by the survey and archaeological staffs.

Following its regular meeting, the commission entered into a special session to consider departmental rules and regulations on the destruction of public records, access to the State Records Center, and the use of the Search Room in the State Archives. The last item came to the attention of the commission in response to the fact that new rules are required to complement a security system which is being installed in the State Archives following the loss of a number of valuable documents during the past year.

The North Carolina Historical Commission met May 6 and 7. Commission members shown above are, left to right, Dr. Frontis W. Johnston, Dr. Hugh T. Lefler, Mr. J. C. Knowles, Miss Gertrude S. Carraway, and Mr. T. Harry Gatton. Mr. Gatton is chairman of the commission.

On May 7 public hearings were held on fifteen special appropriations bills seeking funds for historic preservation. The commission has a statutory authority to review such bills and to make recommendations to the General Assembly appropriations committees before state funds can be expended for historical purposes. Among the projects reviewed by the commission were special bills for the Burwell School in Hillsborough, Wright Tavern in Wentworth, Historic Hope in Bertie County, Fort Defiance in Caldwell County, the Newbold-White House in Perquimans County, the town of Rockford in Surry County; the Western North Carolina Heritage Center in Asheville, the Nathaniel Macon Homeplace in Warren County, Kerr Mill in Rowan County, and Richmond Hill Law School in Yadkin County.

In past sessions of the General Assembly the recommendations of the Historical Commission have been adopted almost directly, providing one of



Appearing before the North Carolina Historical Commission at its May 7 meeting were various organizations interested in special bills which would provide grants-in-aid for local historical projects. Attending this hearing were several members of the Department of Cultural Resources staff, including, left to right, Ms. Kathy McCarter, assistant secretary of cultural resources; Mr. Jerry Cashion, researcher; Mr. A. L. Honeycutt, Jr., restoration specialist; and Dr. Robert E. Stipe, director of the Division of Archives and History.

the chief sources of funding for the preservation of historic and archaeological properties in the state. All funds approved for these purposes are used to determine the amount of federal funds which will be allocated by the National Park Service to North Carolina for historic preservation in future years.

On June 9 a special meeting of the commission was held. Two new members, Dr. Helen G. Edmonds of North Carolina Central University in Durham and Mr. Robert M. Lineberger of Morganton, were sworn in. They were recently appointed by Governor Holshouser to replace Dr. Edward W. Phifer, Jr., and Dr. Gordon S. Dugger, whose terms had expired. During the day members held public hearings on three additional appropriations bills: the Blockade Runner Museum, House-in-the-Horseshoe land acquisition, and the Cherokee Historical Museum. They also toured the sections of the division.

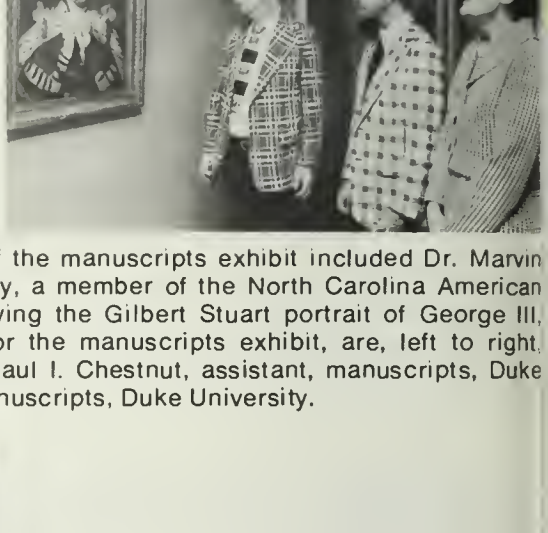
New members of the North Carolina Historical Commission were photographed as they took the oath of office. The oath was administered by Judge Robert M. Martin of the North Carolina Court of Appeals, far right, while Dr. Larry E. Tise, acting director of the Division of Archives and History, looked on. The new members are Mr. Robert M. Lineberger and Dr. Helen G. Edmonds. The Iredell Bible from the State Archives was used in the ceremony.

Museum of History Features New Exhibits

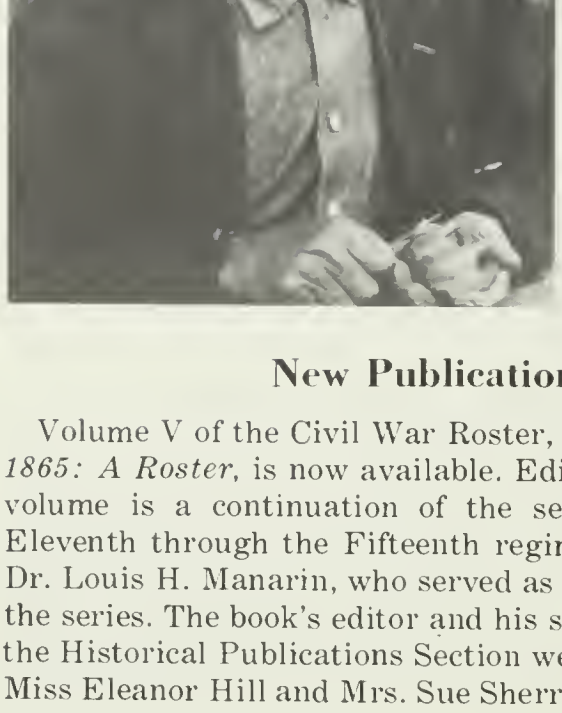
An exhibition prepared by the Smithsonian Institution, entitled "Manuscripts of the American Revolution," was formally opened on Sunday afternoon, May 18, at the North Carolina Museum of History. Complementing the exhibit of national documents was an exhibit of North Carolina manuscripts relating to the Revolution; these will be on view for six months. Included in the Smithsonian exhibition is a letter from John Penn, one of North Carolina's signers of the Declaration of Independence. Dr. Thornton

W. Mitchell, state archivist, cut the ribbon to open the exhibit to the public; it was available for public view until June 15.

June 29 was opening date for an exhibit of Doris Ulmann photographs depicting southern highland life in the 1920s and 1930s. Objects shown in the photographs, including wood carvings from the Campbell Folk School in Brasstown, are also exhibited. Closing date is August 31.



Above, left, visitors attending the opening of the manuscripts exhibit included Dr. Marvin I. Brown, Jr., of North Carolina State University, a member of the North Carolina American Revolution Bicentennial Committee; right, viewing the Gilbert Stuart portrait of George III, a Museum of Art holding which is on loan for the manuscripts exhibit, are, left to right, Dr. Thornton W. Mitchell, state archivist; Dr. Paul I. Chestnut, assistant, manuscripts, Duke University; and Dr. Mattie Russell, curator of manuscripts, Duke University.



W. J. Martin of Brasstown farmed and supplemented his income by wood-carving. His work is included with the exhibit of Doris Ulmann photographs.

New Publications Are Available

Volume V of the Civil War Roster, entitled *North Carolina Troops, 1861-1865: A Roster,* is now available. Edited by Weymouth T. Jordan, Jr., this volume is a continuation of the service records of infantrymen in the Eleventh through the Fifteenth regiments. Unit histories were written by Dr. Louis H. Manarin, who served as the editor of the first three volumes in the series. The book's editor and his staff in the Civil War Roster Branch of the Historical Publications Section were honored at a coffee hour on June 4. Miss Eleanor Hill and Mrs. Sue Sherron are currently on the staff; and Mrs.

Rose Ennemoser, who is now in the section office, worked on Mr. Jordan's staff during the time Volume V was being edited. Priced at $20.00, the cost is based on the actual printing bill. Earlier volumes in the series are still in print for $12.00 each. All five volumes may be ordered from the Historical Publications Section of the Division of Archives and History, 109 East Jones Street, Raleigh, 27611.

A new pamphlet, *Society in Colonial North Carolina*, by Dr. Alan D. Watson of the University of North Carolina at Wilmington, is just off the press. This publication, profusely illustrated, details the everyday life of the colonists. Information on dress, food, education, religion, housing, and recreation are among the topics covered by Dr. Watson in this 100-page booklet. It is priced at $1.00.

Copies of Winter *Historical Review* Needed

There is continuing demand for copies of the Winter, 1975, issue of the *North Carolina Historical Review* which is, unfortunately, out of print. Readers who are through with this issue and who are willing to do so are invited to send their copies to the Historical Publications Section at 109 East Jones Street, Raleigh, 27611. In return they will receive a copy of the new pamphlet, *Society in Colonial North Carolina*, by Dr. Alan D. Watson.

Watson Named to Editorial Committee

Dr. Alan D. Watson, associate professor of history at the University of North Carolina at Wilmington, was named to the Division of Archives and History's Advisory Editorial Committee, effective July 1. He will serve a five-year term. Dr. Watson replaces Mr. William S. Powell of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill whose term expired June 30. Dr. Watson has published several articles in the *Review*, has written for a number of other periodicals, and most recently published *Society in Colonial North Carolina*. The Advisory Editorial Committee works closely with the Historical Publications Section; annually it meets to review the overall publications program, and its members appraise articles submitted to the *North Carolina Historical Review*.

Marketing Specialists at Work; Sales Offered

Miss Betsy Buford, a Ph.D. candidate in history at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, has been employed for a period of four months to contact book stores, libraries, schools, and other potential buyers of Archives and History publications. She began working in the Raleigh area and arranged an author's day at B Dalton's Book Store in Crabtree Valley Shopping Center. Participating authors and editors were Dr. Sarah M. Lemmon of Meredith College; Mr. Donald R. Lennon, who edited *The Wilmington Town Book* with Mrs. Ida B. Kellam; and Miss Beth Crabtree, Mrs. Mary Reynolds Peacock, Dr. William S. Price, Jr., Mr. Weymouth T. Jordan, Jr., and Mrs. Memory F. Mitchell, all of the Historical Publications Section staff. Persons participating on the program were available to autograph materials which they had written or edited. Miss Buford also arranged for publications of the Division of Archives and History to be on

Participants in the author's day at B Dalton's in Raleigh were, left, Dr. William S. Price, Jr., editor of the new series of *The Colonial Records of North Carolina*, and Miss Beth G. Crabtree, author of *North Carolina Governors*; right, Mrs. Mary Reynolds Peacock, who revised *Silversmiths of North Carolina*, autographs a copy for Mrs. Ruth C. Langston, right, while Mrs. Memory F. Mitchell, center, observes.

sale in Wilmington when the Historic Wilmington Foundation sponsored its May Festival. She will be working in various sections of North Carolina during the summer months, and she plans to contact local historical societies with the proposal that they sell Archives and History publications as a fund-raising project. Those who have not yet been contacted by Miss Buford and who are interested in the idea of selling publications may reach her by writing to the Historical Publications Section of the Division of Archives and History, 109 East Jones Street, Raleigh, 27611.

During the summer months, in conjunction with the marketing program a special sale is again being offered similar to that in effect last summer. All five volumes of *The Papers of Willie P. Mangum*, the first three volumes of *The Papers of William Alexander Graham*, *The Journal of the House of Burgesses*, and *The Poems of Governor Thomas Burke of North Carolina* are available for a total of $15.00. This sale is being offered in an effort to interest individuals in the publications of the Division of Archives and History. Persons buying $15.00 worth of other publications issued by the Historical Publications Section will also receive upon request a complimentary copy of *The Journal of the House of Burgesses* during the summer months.

Mrs. Julia Miller of Raleigh has joined the North Carolina American Revolution Bicentennial staff as a consultant for grants and marketing. A graduate of the University of Denver, with a degree in sociology, she has attended the Universities of Wyoming and Illinois. She was formerly employed by the Prudential Life Insurance Company.

CETA Provides New Jobs for A&H

Federal funding was awarded to the Department of Cultural Resources in January under the new Title VI of the Comprehensive Employment and

Training Act (CETA) for employment of temporary workers in the Division of Archives and History. The employees, who reported for work on January 27, will continue through July. This funding is part of a public service employment program aimed at alleviating severe unemployment by providing community service jobs for persons who have been unemployed for thirty days or longer. Sixty-nine persons are employed under the program at fifteen state historic sites in positions involving site operations and maintenance and archaeology; specific job titles are grounds maintenance man, tour conductor, laborer, carpenter, clerk, and stenographer. The program has made possible the reduction of the backlog of work at the sites. Application has been made for additional funds for employment of craftsmen such as tinsmith, cooper, potter, and others so that educational demonstrations of crafts can be given at the historic sites.

Staff Additions, Activities Reported

The April issue of *Records Management Quarterly* announces the naming of Dr. Thornton W. Mitchell, state archivist, as treasurer of the Board of Regents of the newly formed Institute of Certified Records Managers. The institute was "established to support the professional recognition of records managers and to develop and administer a program for professional certification as a 'Certified Records Manager' (CRM)." The board is made up of equal number of representatives from the American Records Management Association and the Association of Records Executives and Administrators.

Sixteen members of the Archives and History staff participated in the South Atlantic Archives and Records Conference in Richmond, May 1 and 2. Cathy Jackson described the experience of the State Archives in developing a computer index to all state marriage bonds; Irene E. Yarbrough participated in a discussion of archival reference services; Paul P. Hoffman and William S. Price, Jr., the latter of the Historical Publications Section, gave papers relating to privileged communication and confidentiality; and State Archivist Thornton W. Mitchell described the 1974 theft of documents from the Archives and the steps taken to prevent repetition. Attending the conference, in addition to the five speakers were Ray Hocutt, Michelle Lawing, Charles Morris, J. R. Lankford, Murray Parker, Sam Shine, Irma Carroll, George Stevenson, Frank Gatton, Roger Jones, and Ronald E. Youngquist, all of the Archives and Records Section.

A new staff member in the Archives and Records Section is Philip Keller, records management analyst trainee with the State Records Branch. His appointment was effective May 1.

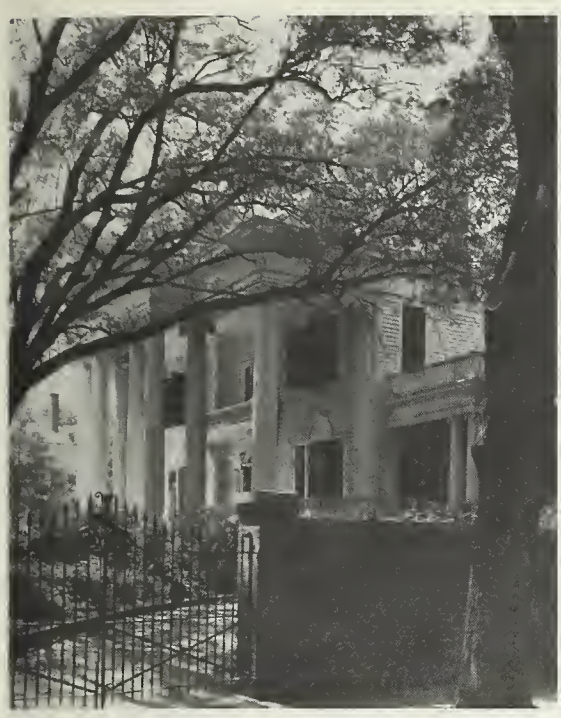
Three individuals were recently placed under contract to complete specific projects in the Historic Sites Section: Barbara Cornell is working on the revision of the *Guide to North Carolina Historical Highway Markers;* JoAnn Sieburg is updating the photography recordings of National Register properties; and Wilson Angley is conducting research on Thomas Wolfe. Various members of the section staff spoke at meetings across the state, including Bruce MacDougal, Brent D. Glass, Archie C. Smith, Jr., Richard F. Knapp, Janet Seapker, and Jerry L. Cross. Mr. Glass also spoke before the Society for Industrial Archaeology which met in Baltimore, April 26; Mr. Greer Suttlemyre attended the public relations seminar sponsored by the National Trust for Historic Preservation in Chicago, April 17-18; and

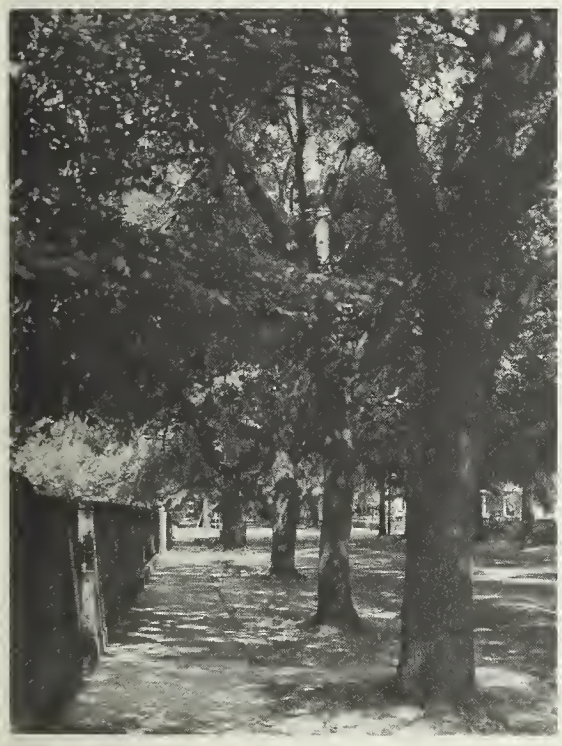
Mr. Suttlemyre and Ms. Seapker attended the conference of the Society of Architectural Historians in Boston, April 23-28. Messrs. Stephen E. Massengill and James McPherson attended the Tobacco Symposium held at East Carolina University on March 20. A Pioneer Living Day was held at the Vance Birthplace State Historic Site on April 19.

John D. Ellington, museum administrator, worked with groups in Grifton and Rutherfordton concerning the establishment of local history museums. He assisted the Rea Store Association with the design of exhibit housings for the second floor of the Rea Store. Walton Haywood, photographer, attended the Southern Short Course in News Photography in Boone, May 1-3. Davis Waters, Education Branch, attended a meeting on museum education in Winston-Salem on April 8. He and Natalie Miller of the branch attended the annual meeting of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs in Pinehurst on April 23. Mrs. Miller also attended a conference for volunteer coordinators in Reidsville April 7-8.

New National Register Entries

Recently entered on the National Register of Historic Places is the Kenansville Historic District in Duplin County. Three structures from that district include, upper left, Cooper House on the north side of Main Street in Kenansville; upper right, the Gillespie House on the north side of Seminary Street in Kenansville; lower left, is the Presbyterian Church, located on the south side of Main Street in Kenansville. Lower right, Sherrill's Inn, a new addition to the register in Buncombe County.





The Mansion District in Wilmington, New Hanover County, is represented by several pictures including, upper left, the Holt-Wise House, 713 Market Street in Wilmington; upper right, the Bridgers-Emerson-Kenan Mansion in Wilmington; and lower left, a streetscape of the 1700 block of Market Street in Wilmington. Lower right is pictured the Bald Head Island Lighthouse in Brunswick County.

Halifax Day Is Observed

The 199th anniversary of the Halifax Resolves was observed on April 12 with a program held at Halifax. Following a picnic on the Colonial Market Place, the historic area was open for visitation. Ray Wilkinson, chairman of the Historic Halifax Restoration Association, presided at the ceremony.

The main address was given by Mr. Bruce MacDougal, historic sites administrator with the Division of Archives and History.

Tar Heel Junior Historian Awards Announced

The fourth annual Tar Heel Junior Historian Day was held at Yates Mill near Raleigh on May 24. Over 100 Tar Heel Junior Historians and guests gathered to see colonial games performed by the Chief Rockahock Historical Association Junior Historians from Edenton and dances and speeches from the days of the American Revolution performed by the History Seekers of Albemarle. Awards for the thirteenth annual Literary and Arts Contest, sponsored by the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association, were presented by Dr. H. G. Jones, secretary-treasurer of the association. Junior historians from Albemarle, Edenton, Farmville, Lexington, Madison, Raleigh, Salisbury, and Wilson were awarded top honors on projects entered in eight categories. Three-dimensional arts projects including scale models of historic buildings as well as research papers were submitted by the club members. History teachers within the schools served as advisers.

First place in the Individual Arts category was awarded to Marty Hall, Tar Heel Eagle Historians, Erwin Junior High School, Salisbury, for the project, "Randolph Shaft, Gold Hill Mines." Mrs. Catherine B. Safrit served as adviser. Honorable mention in Individual Arts went to Teresa Lemons, Madison, Mayodan Junior Tar Heels III, Madison-Mayodan Middle School, Madison, for "Scenes of North Carolina." Mrs. Vicki Dillon advised the club.

Joint first-place awards were made in the Group Arts category: The Five Teenagers History Club, Eastern North Carolina School for the Deaf, Wilson, for "Recreation—Colonial Farmer Style," Mr. Ronald H. Pace, adviser; and Reeds History Hikers, Reeds School, Lexington, for "Early Water Mill," Mr. Hugh E. Greene, adviser.

Joint awards were made in the Individual Literary category: Marty Hall, Tar Heel Eagle Historians, for the project, "The Cry was Gold!" and Karen Moye, Tar Heel Patriots, Farmville Middle School, Farmville, for "The Moye Family and Pitt County—Their Early Growth," Mrs. Laura B. Willoughby, adviser. Honorable mention in the Individual Literary category was given to Lou Ann Joyce, Madison-Mayodan Junior Tar Heels II, Madison-Mayodan Middle School, Madison, for "The Lost but Never Found." Mrs. Vicki Dillon advised the club.

First place in Group Literary category went to Reeds History Hikers, Reeds School, Lexington, for "Davidson County—Past and Present." Mr. Hugh E. Greene served as adviser. Honorable mention in Group Literary work was received by the Tar Heel Eagle Historians, for "Early German Settlers in Rowan County."

To be eligible for the Special Achievement category a club must have won awards in three previous contests. There are four awards in this category which parallel the regular contest.

Special Achievement Individual Arts award went to Georgia Ann Cannon, History Seekers, Albemarle Junior High School, Albemarle, for "The Old Stone House." Mr. Jim Yandle advised the club. Honorable mention in Special Achievement Individual Arts was received by Lynn Powell, Martin '76ers, LeRoy Martin Junior High School, Raleigh, for the drawing of

Junior Historian award winners were pictured when they met at Yates Mill near Raleigh on May 24.

"Yates Mill." Mr. Eddie B. Clinton, Mrs. Mary E. Jackman, and Mrs. Anne Kennedy served as advisers.

In the Special Achievement Group Arts category the Martin '76ers received first place for "Yates Mill."

First place in the Special Achievement Individual Literary category went to Dale Ivey, History Seekers, for "The Parker Gold Mine." Honorable mention in the Special Achievement Individual Literary category went to Samuel B. Dixon, Chief Rockahock Junior Historical Society, Edenton, for "Beverly Hall." Mrs. Virginia H. Wood served as adviser.

The Special Achievement Group Literary award was presented to the Martin '76ers for the project, "Heritage and Horizon in North Carolina." Honorable mention in Special Achievement Group Literary went to the History Seekers for "North Carolina's Moravian Heritage."

Projects were rated on historical accuracy, contribution to state and local history, workmanship, and style of presentation. Winning projects will be on display in the Tar Heel Historian Gallery of the North Carolina Museum of History for one year.

Judges for the contest were Dr. H. G. Jones, secretary-treasurer of the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association; Mrs. Natalie G. Miller of the Division of Archives and History, Department of Cultural Resources; and Mr. Calvin Criner of the State Department of Public Education.

Mrs. Virginia Currie, of the Bloomsbury Chapter of the Daughters of the Revolution of 1776, presented copies of *The North Carolina Gazetteer* to the Skewarkians, Bear Grass School, Williamston, for work in recording visual history and to the Martin '76ers for outstanding service to the community.

Additional Literary Entries Listed

Since the May issue of *Carolina Comments* was published, additional books have been entered in the several competitions sponsored by the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association. Mayflower entries include: Robert F. Durden, *The Dukes of Durham, 1865-1929*; C. Hugh Holman, *The Loneliness at the Core*; R. M. Shores, *Just Like It Was*; William Ralph Stanley, *Credit Report Agency Caught with Their Report Down*; George Brown Tindall, *The Persistent Tradition in New South Politics*; and Carolyn R. Whipple, *Victory at Eight*. The new Sir Walter Raleigh entries are: Chris Ferguson, *The Molting Season*; F. Roy Johnson, *Supernaturals*; and Elizabeth Cobb Williams, *The Silent Bell*. An additional two entries for the

Roanoke-Chowan award are Linda Brown Bragg, *A Love Song to Black Men*, and Lance Jeffers, *When I Know the Power of My Black Hand*. The AAUW competition has one additional entry, F. Roy Johnson's *Stories of the Old Cherokees*.

Culture Week Meeting Site Moved

Culture Week November 4-8 will be held at Raleigh's Sheraton Crabtree Motor Inn at the Crabtree Valley Mall, which is located on Glenwood Avenue (U.S. 70 west of Raleigh). It became necessary to find a new location after the Sir Walter Hotel canceled its commitment to provide space and meals for the organizations scheduled to meet in November.

Tryon Palace Commission Meets

The Tryon Palace Commission met April 6 in the Tryon Palace auditorium. Business was conducted the next morning. A musical play, which tells the story of North Carolina's Edenton tea party, was presented on the evening of April 7 by a group of actors from Greensboro. The production, *Oh Penelope*, was composed by Rose Marie Cooper of Greensboro and writer-lyricist Susan Graham Erwin of Charlotte. Mrs. John A. Kellenberger is chairman of the Tryon Palace Commission, and Donald R. Taylor is Tryon Palace administrator.

Obituaries

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Atkinson, who were on the board of directors and charter members of the Surry County Historical Society, died in the Siloam bridge accident on February 23.

Miss Sophie D. Busbee died April 19 at the age of ninety-seven. She served as secretary to the late R. D. W. Connor, the first secretary of the North Carolina Historical Commission, for many years. Miss Busbee retired June 30, 1945.

Rev. E. Donald McMahan, of Fayetteville, died May 4. He was treasurer for many years of the North Carolina Society of County and Local Historians. His widow, Mrs. Margaret McMahan, is secretary-treasurer of the organization.

Dr. William Thomas Laprade, professor emeritus of history at Duke University, died May 14. He was appointed to the North Carolina Historical Commission on February 6, 1942, and served until March 31, 1959.

Francis Butler Simkins Award Is Announced

The Southern Historical Association and the Department of History of Longwood College recently announced the establishment of the Francis Butler Simkins Award. This will be given for the first book by an author or authors in the field of southern history; the award consists of a certificate and $200. The first prize will be awarded in 1977 and will be chosen from books published in 1975 and 1976. Committee chairman is Dr. Marvin W. Schlegel, 476 Linkhorn Drive, Virginia Beach, Virginia, 23451. Entries should be submitted to him. Additional information may be obtained from

the Southern Historical Association, Bennett H. Wall, Secretary-Treasurer, Department of History, Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana, 70118.

Raleigh Material Is Sought

Miss Beth Crabtree is interested in obtaining pictures, postcards, snapshots, bills, and letterheads of Raleigh buildings, and other materials relating to the capital city. If you have such materials which she could borrow for copying and possible subsequent use in a pictorial history of Raleigh, please contact her at K-3 Country Club Homes or telephone 782-0418 in Raleigh.

Colleges and Universities

Campbell College

Dr. Vernon Stumpf directed the Harnett County Forum of 1974-1975; he has been appointed chairman of both the Harnett County and the Campbell College American Revolution Bicentennial committees. Dr. Anne T. Moore has been named educational development officer of the college. Dr. W. Conard Gass recently addressed the Sampson County Symposium on the history of government regulation of business.

East Carolina University

Mr. Donald Lennon, director of the East Carolina University Manuscript Collection, and Dr. Ralph Hardee Rives, president of the Pitt County Historical Society, participated on the April 9 panel discussion, "Colonial Town Life in Eastern North Carolina," which was sponsored by the East Carolina University Division of Continuing Education and several local organizations. Dr. Bodo Nischan, assistant professor of history at East Carolina, was forum adviser and served as moderator for the series.

On February 14 Dr. Herbert R. Paschal, chairman of the Department of History, participated in the tenth annual symposium on History and the Social Studies at East Carolina. His topic was "Scope and Dimensions of Local History." Mr. Lennon spoke on "Use of Manuscripts in Studying and Teaching Local History," and Professors Hugh Wease, Betty C. Congleton, Joseph F. Steelman, and Walter C. Calhoun served as discussants. The third annual Tobacco History Symposium was held at East Carolina on March 20, the theme being "The Tobacco Export Trade and Its Impact upon the North Carolina Area." In addition to Dr. John C. Ellen, director of the Institute for Historical Research in Tobacco, and Dr. Paschal, moderators included Dr. Charles L. Price and Dr. William N. Still, Jr., of the Department of History.

Dr. Robert J. Gowen and Dr. Philip J. Adler will be promoted to full professor and Dr. Mary Jo Bratton to associate professor, effective September 1. Dr. Richard C. Todd, professor of history, was honored when the new chapter room of Phi Alpha Theta International History Honor Society was named for him. This is located in the East Carolina University Brewster Building.

Elon College

Dr. Durward T. Stokes was honored at a reception given on the campus of the college following the publication of his new book, *A History of the Christian Church in the South*, written in collaboration with the late William T. Scott.

Dr. Stokes autographs copies of his new book. (Photograph supplied by Elon College.)

Fayetteville State University

During the summer Dr. Charles H. Bowman, Jr., will be engaged in a college laborative research project in Colombia and Venezuela sponsored by the Pan-American Institute of Geography and History. Dr. Bowman, who has been awarded a grant by the American Philosophical Society, will be involved in the compilation of the correspondence of Colombian agents in the United States in the early nineteenth century. He will be working primarily in the national archives in Bogotá and Caracas. In August he will participate in the sesquicentennial of the independence of Bolivia in La Paz, where his book, *Vincente Pazos: Bolivia's Universal Man* will soon be published in Spanish. On August 5 Ambassador Stedman will present a special copy of Dr. Bowman's book to President Banzer.

Guilford College

Dr. Alexander R. Stoesen, spoke in Greensboro on April 13 at the United Church, taking as his topic, "The Bicentennial as a Religious Experience." He represented North Carolina at the meeting of the membership committee of the Organization of American Historians in Boston on April 17. Dr. Stoesen was reappointed chairman of the Department of History at Guilford for a three-year term, effective June 1. Dr. James F. Gifford, Jr., published an article, "Interdisciplinary History of Medicine as an Introduction to Science," in the *Journal of College Science Teaching* for May. Dr. Algie I. Newlin, emeritus professor, is the author of *The Battle of Lindley's Mill*, which was published by the Alamance County Historical Association. Dr. Edward F. Burrows received a $500 Board of Visitors Excellence in Teaching Award, which was announced on May 10. Dr. Henry G. Hood was

selected as a participant in a National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Seminar at the University of Kentucky and Dr. Stoesen was likewise chosen to attend a National Endowment for Humanities Summer Seminar at Vanderbilt University.

Lenoir Rhyne College

Russell E. Benton, a member of the faculty, will receive his Ph.D. from Louisiana State University in August. Professor John P. Fogarty learned in March that he had been selected to attend a National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Seminar at Stanford University.

Meredith College

The Phi-Omicron Chapter of Phi Alpha Theta, national history honorary society, was installed on the Meredith campus on May 6, with six faculty and twelve student members. Faculty sponsor is Dr. Frank L. Grubbs, Jr.

North Carolina State University

The third session of the School of Liberal Arts-Department of History sponsored symposium, "Blacks in Southern History," was held on April 7. Entitled "New Perspectives on American Slavery," the symposium featured outstanding historians: Robert W. Fogel of the University of Chicago, co-author of *Time on the Cross*; Eugene D. Genovese of the University of Rochester, author of *Roll, Jordan, Roll*; L. H. Owens of the University of Michigan, author of *This Species of Property* which is soon to be published; and Kenneth M. Stampp of the University of California at Berkley, author of *The Peculiar Institution*. Dr. Richard N. Current of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro served as moderator.

Pfeiffer College

The Phi Rho chapter of Phi Alpha Theta was established at Pfeiffer on May 8.

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Dr. Roger W. Lotchin was visiting professor of urban history at the University of Maryland during the spring semester. A National Endowment for the Humanities grant for a study of religion and the American Revolution in the South has been received by Dr. Donald G. Mathews. Lectures were delivered by Professors Richard W. Pfaff at the Elon College Liberal Arts Forum in April and William S. Powell in Dunn on March 28 when that city's observance of the bicentennial of the Revolution was inaugurated. Dr. David M. Griffiths received the Amoco Distinguished Teacher Award for 1975.

In addition to Dr. Mathews, the following members of the Department of History of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill have received research leaves and grants for the academic year 1975-1976: Samuel H. Baron, Lamar Cecil, David M. Griffiths, R. Don Higginbotham, Roger M. Lotchin, John W. Scott, Richard A. Soloway, Joseph S. Tulchin, and Joel Williamson. Research, in the fields of American, British, French, German,

Russian, and Latin American history, is financed by national foundations, Kenan leaves, and other funds.

University of North Carolina at Wilmington

Mr. Walser H. Allen, Jr., associate professor, participated in the fourth annual Conference on Celtic Studies, which was held at Campbell College on March 15. His topic was "Celtic Christian Culture and the Book of Kells."

Wake Forest University

Dr. Lowell Ray Tillett participated at Quail Roost on April 4 in a conference on Soviet historiography; the topic was "Recent Soviet Writing on Russian Imperialism." Dr. Richard L. Zuber was promoted from associate professor to professor and was named chairman of the Department of History, effective July 1. Dr. J. Edwin Hendricks was also promoted from associate professor to professor.

Western Carolina University

Dr. Clifford R. Lovin published an article, "Die Erzeugungsschlacht, 1934-1936," in *Zietschrift fur Agrargeschichte und Agrarsoziologie* (October, 1974). Theda Perdue was named instructor in Cherokee history effective January 1 of this year.

State, County, and Local Groups

Alamance County Historical Association

The association's president, W. Cliff Elder, has announced the sale of a reprint edition of the *Centennial History of Alamance County*. Copies, at $7.00 each, may be obtained from the Burlington Merchants Association, 312 West Front Street, Burlington. A pamphlet, *Battle of Lindley's Mill* by Dr. Algie Newlin, is also on sale and is priced at $1.00.

Baptist Historical Collection

The collection is participating in the Baptist Information Retrieval System; in this project, the *Biblical Recorder* is being indexed. Entries for 1975 have been submitted and work has been begun on the indexing of the 1834-1835 issues of this Baptist periodical. Recent accessions to the collection include papers of John Wesley Cates of Burlington; Irving Edward Carlyle of Winston-Salem; John F. Lanneau, a former professor at Wake Forest College; Charles B. Deane, North Carolina congressman; and Maloy Alton Huggins, a longtime executive secretary of the Baptist State Convention. The collection is actively seeking accessions and hopes that historical materials relating to the Baptist denomination, which are in private hands, will be donated to the North Carolina Baptist Historical Collection.

Beaufort Historical Association

The association received from the descendants of Dr. George Davis an

apothecary shop which was recently moved to the association's restoration grounds. Dr. Davis was the last doctor to use the shop. A $5,000 gift for the restoration was given in memory of Maybelle Carrow Mace, Delight Carrow Thomas, and Martha Champlain Carrow by members of their family. Moving and restoring the building is a bicentennial project of the association. Mrs. David Cloud is the organization's president.

Association of Historians in Eastern North Carolina

Forty historians met on May 2 at the University of North Carolina at Wilmington for their spring meeting. Professor Thomas D. Wu of Fayetteville State University spoke on "An Evaluation of Manchu's Thought-control Policy in China," which was followed by commentary by Professor Robert Gowen of East Carolina University. "The Southern Strategy of William Howard Taft" was discussed by Professor Kenneth Dilda of Mount Olive College; commentator on this paper was Professor Bruce Pulliam of Methodist College. Retiring President Walser H. Allen, Jr., of the University of North Carolina at Wilmington, presented the presidential address on the subject, "History: Our Culture, Curriculum, and Commodity."

During the business session, the following officers were elected for 1975-1976: Dr. William N. Still, Jr., of East Carolina University, president; Dr. William R. Dempsey of Fayetteville State University, first vice-president; Ms. Jacqueline R. Heston, of Rocky Mount Senior High School, second vice-president; Dr. Alan D. Watson of the University of North Carolina at Wilmington, secretary; Dr. Vernon O. Stumpf of Campbell College, treasurer; and Dr. Herbert R. Paschal of East Carolina University and Professor Claude H. Moore of Mount Olive College, members of the executive council, elected for one, and two-year terms, respectively.

Beaufort County Historical Society

The reactivated society met March 20 to hear E. Frank Stephenson, Jr., speak on the work being done in Murfreesboro. The meeting was held at the St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Washington.

Burke County Historical Society

The society met April 3 to plan for a reenactment of the Revolutionary War march made by the "Overmountain Men" from Sycamore Shoals on the Watauga in Tennessee while on the way to Kings Mountain. The reenactment is proposed for the last of September and first of October. Robert B. Byrd, president of the Burke group, presided at the dinner meeting which was attended by people from North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee. The Appalachian Consortium has provided impetus for the plan, and it hopes to combine all authentic information which is gathered and properly mark the trail.

Carteret Historical Research Association

President James Biddle of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, Washington, D.C., visited Beaufort March 25 as a guest of the association.

Mr. Biddle's great-great-great-grandfather, Charles Biddle, once lived in the Caleb Bell House in Beaufort. He visited this and other historic houses and the Old Burying Ground while in the coastal town.

Mr. Roy Davis, who is chairman of the Bicentennial Committee on the Restoration of Fort Macon, recently reported that $327,000 of the original $367,000 appropriated would be spent for the reconstruction. Actual construction was scheduled to begin the first of June. Five rooms in the best condition are to be restored, with air conditioning and humidity controls placed therein; a museum and audiovisual program are being planned for the future. Though restoration is expected to take a year, the fort is to remain open during that time though certain areas will be restricted. Miss Emily Loftin is president of the association.

Caswell County Historical Association

The members of the association met April 8 at Gunn Memorial Public Library in Yanceyville. The meeting was called to order by Mr. M. C. Plumblee, president. He was elected to serve as president from April 1 to March 31 of next year and serving with him are Mrs. Linda Johnston, vice-president, and Miss Nancy Ryckman, secretary-treasurer. Speaker for the meeting was Mr. R. P. Gravely, of Martinsville, Virginia, whose program was on William Byrd's *Histories of the Dividing Line Betwixt Virginia and North Carolina*. Mr. Gravely used slides which he had taken when he retraced Byrd's survey line in 1967 and 1968.

Chapel Hill Historical Society

On April 6 Brent D. Glass, graduate student in the Department of History at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and a part-time member of the staff of the Division of Archives and History, spoke on "The Archaeology of Industrial North Carolina." Mr. Glass also served as chairman of the Oral History Committee of the society. During commencement at the university, on May 10, Dr. John Allcott conducted his usual annual "Campus Walk." The society's final meeting until fall was held on April 27. The speaker on that occasion was Dr. Robert E. Stipe, director of the Division of Archives and History, who gave an illustrated talk on "Some Current Trends in Historic Preservation in North Carolina."

Chatham County Historical Society

The society recently decided to reprint the Chatham County history; factual errors will be corrected, but there will be no new material. John Cooper, president of the organization, presided at the April 13 meeting of the society.

Colonial Edenton Bicentennial Pilgrimage

The Bicentennial Pilgrimage of Colonial Edenton and surrounding areas was held on April 11, 12, and 13. The event was sponsored by the Edenton Woman's Club. Included in houses and other structures open to the public were the Barker House, Beverly Hall, Chowan County Courthouse, Cupola House, Greenfield, Hayes Plantation, The Homestead, Pembroke Gardens,

Shelton Plantation House, Strawberry Hill, Iredell House, Wessington House, and several historic churches. Visitors to the area were also given the opportunity of visiting Greenfield, North Carolina's only licensed winery.

Gold History Corporation

The Gold History Corporation held its annual meeting in Concord on April 22. Harold Hornaday, chairman of the corporation, announced that the group was ready to adopt permanent bylaws and choose a board of directors. The organization completed this business, and the new directors subsequently elected the following officers: president, Jones Y. Pharr, Jr.; first vice-president, L. D. Coltrane III; second vice-president, J. Harold Nash; secretary, E. Kent Prewitt; and treasurer, T. L. Ross. The corporation next heard a report on progress at the Reed Gold Mine by Richard F. Knapp of the Division of Archives and History, who announced that construction was about to begin on the visitor center-museum at the mine. Members of the corporation traveled to the mine itself and spent the remainder of the afternoon enjoying a guided tour of the site.

The corporation invites anyone interested in participating in its programs to write the secretary, Mr. Prewitt, at P.O. Box 1029, Concord, 28025.

Greensboro Historical Museum

The community responded wholeheartedly to calls for donations for an auction sale held on behalf of the Greensboro Historical Museum. The event was held on June 7. The museum is now sponsoring a new "discovery" program, under the direction of Donna Penwell, a museum apprentice from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. Second through fifth graders explored the collections of the museum and discovered facts about the past. Pharmacists Joe Johnson of Wesley Long Hospital Pharmacy and Al Mebane of Elm Street Pharmacy stood behind the counters of the reconstructed Porter Drug Store, which is located in the museum, and illustrated the techniques of preparing and dispensing medicines. The children were taught how to prepare a powder using mortar and pestles which had been donated to the museum by Ciba-Geigy Corporation.

Halifax County Historical Association

A dinner meeting was held at the Scotland Neck United Methodist Church on March 21. Speaker on that occasion was John Tyler of Roxobel, leader in the Hope restoration. On May 23 the organization, meeting jointly with the Northampton County Historical Association, heard Dr. Andrew Barrett, dean of instruction at Halifax Technical Institute. A bus tour to the Charlottesville, Virginia, area was planned for the Halifax group for April 26.

Hertford County Historic Sites Commission

The Board of Commissioners of Hertford County recently appointed a commission to handle matters relating to historic site zoning and planning in Hertford County. Members are: Mrs. O. W. Pittman, Ahoskie; Mrs. R. C. Mason, Harrellsville; Bob F. Hill, Sr., Murfreesboro; E. Frank Stephenson,

Jr., Murfreesboro; Mr. Dillard Riddick, Como; Mrs. Dorothy Belnay, Winton; and Mrs. Alice Nickens, Winton.

Hillsborough Historical Society

The society recently obtained a full-time secretary for its office, located in the restored Ruffin-Roulhac House, which is now serving as the Hillsborough town hall. The society's fiscal year runs from January 1 to December 31 and persons who have not renewed memberships or who are interested in joining should contact the society at this office, which is located at 101 E Queen Street, in Hillsborough, 27278.

The bicentennial of the Third Provincial Congress will be celebrated in Hillsborough on Sunday, August 24. Plans for the occasion are being made by a bicentennial committee of the Historic Hillsborough Commission. The celebration will include special religious services in the churches of Hillsborough, a town picnic in the parking lot of the Orange County courthouse, a band concert in the early afternoon, and a featured speaker in midafternoon. The final event in the celebration will be a reading on the work of the Third Provincial Congress. Plans are being arranged by Mrs. R. W. Isley, chairman of the commission, and by Mrs. Quentin W. Patterson, chairman of the special bicentennial committee. The Third Provincial Congress originally convened on August 20, 1775, with 184 delegates from every county and town in the province. The congress denounced the fact that Gov. Josiah Martin had recently abandoned the province, instituted a provisional government to fill the vacuum, and made concrete preparations for the ongoing war. Queries concerning the celebration should be directed to Mrs. Isley at Cedar Grove, 27231.

Historic Cabarrus, Inc.

Historic Cabarrus has applied for a Housing and Community Development grant to aid in the restoration of the 1876 Cabarrus County courthouse, the estimated cost of which is $150,000. A new courthouse is under construction in Concord. The organization sponsored a reception at the time of the presentation of the McCurdy Place painting by Mel Kester. The event was held in the Hotel Concord on May 4.

Historic Preservation Society of Durham

It was recently reported by Mrs. Charles Livengood, membership chairman, that the society now has over 700 members. Much of the work is being done through committees. On April 26, which is the birthday of Durham, the Bicentennial Commission of Durham formally began functioning. In connection therewith was the showing of an early steam engine and a museum taken to Durham by the Southern Railway. Following the ceremony, the Historic Preservation Society had a bus tour of historic sites in the area, which was under the direction of Mrs. R. B. Cooke. A group called the "Friends of West Point" has been formed for the purpose of restoring the old mill. This group is being led by Mr. and Mrs. George Pyne. The Junior League of Durham has agreed to provide funds for the restoration of the McCown-Mangum House on the Eno provided the city will make matching funds available. A task force was formed in February for the

preservation of Stagville. It is hoped that the Liggett Tobacco Company officials can be persuaded to deed the property to the Historic Preservation Society. Another task force was recently formed with the object of saving St. Joseph's AME Church, which is the oldest sanctuary in Durham. Mrs. R. B. Cooke and Mr. J. J. Henderson are cochairmen of this project. The society recently received its first manuscript collection, consisting of family papers of the McMannon family; the collection was given by Mrs. J. A. Ligon. These and other projects of the society were outlined in a recent newsletter issued by the group.

Historic Salisbury Foundation

The third annual meeting of the foundation was held in the Old Rowan Courthouse in Salisbury on May 1. Jack Claiborne, associate editor of the *Charlotte Observer*, was speaker. Following the meeting, a reception was held at the Josephus Hall House. On May 25 an art show was held on the lawn of the Josephus Hall House. This house, the Maxwell Chambers House, and the Old Stone House, are all open to the public on a varied schedule. Persons interested in visiting these houses should write to the Historic Salisbury Foundation, P.O. Box 4621, Salisbury, 28144, for further information.

Historic Wilmington Foundation, Inc.

The foundation recently obtained an option to buy property at 23-25 North Front Street in Wilmington. This structure was erected by Donald MacRae in 1878-1879. The building has a three-story cast iron front and is architecturally of great significance. The foundation sponsored a May Festival Tour of Houses May 17 and 18. The festival was held in celebration of National Historic Preservation Week. Included on the tour were the William L. Smith, Martin-Huggins, Burgwin-Wright, Latimer, Hasell-Parsley, Burrus, McRae, Wright-Murphy, Smith-Anderson, and Brown-Lord houses, and Stemmerman's Grocery. Proceeds were used for preservation of historic and architecturally significant structures in Wilmington.

The Junior League of Wilmington is progressing with plans for an architectural and historical guide to Wilmington, which will be published in July, 1976. More than fifty volunteers are working under the direction of Tony Wrenn, who is serving as consultant to the project.

Hoke County Historical Association

On April 29 members met at the Raeford Presbyterian Church to hear Mrs. Carson Davis, Jr., cochairman of Hoke's Bicentennial Committee, give a program on the history of the county. Plans have been made by directors of the association for a tour of historic places to be held in the fall.

Hyde County Historical Society

The society met April 6 at O'Neal's Restaurant, in New Holland, with sixteen members and guests attending. R. S. Spencer, Jr., vice-president, presided because of the illness of Mrs. R. L. Mann, Jr., who is president. Plans for the bicentennial observance in Hyde County include a joint

celebration to be held in conjunction with the annual Jaycees Farm Day Program in October, 1976. A series of weekly articles is planned for June, 1975, through 1976, to be published in newspapers of the area. These will be on various aspects of Hyde County history. Various other projects are in the planning stage. George Stevenson, a member of the staff of the Archives and Records Section of the Division of Archives and History, was the speaker for the meeting. He discussed Revolutionary War records and explained how they could best be used. Persons interested in joining the Hyde County Historical Society should send $3.00 to the society at P.O. Box 85, Fairfield, 27826. Mrs. Clifton Mooney, Jr., is treasurer.

Lower Cape Fear Historical Society

The Lower Cape Fear Historical Society's *Bulletin* for May contained an article by Dr. Alan D. Watson of the University of North Carolina at Wilmington entitled "Fire and Fire Control in Colonial Wilmington." The issue also reported that thirty-four original letters from Gen. Leonard F. Chapman, Jr., USMC retired, commissioner of the Immigration and Naturalization Service of the Department of Justice in Washington, had been received by the society. Seventeen of these letters were written between 1812 and 1832 by Thomas Wright, a minister in the Episcopal church and a member of St. James. The other letters were written between 1822 and 1835 by Christopher Dudley, Jr., postmaster of Wilmington and also a member of St. James. The society has recently received daguerreotypes of the Rev. Paul A. Repiton and his second wife, Sarah Cowan; these were given by Miss Dorothy Knox of Charlotte.

The May 1 meeting of the society was held in the St. James Great Hall with Mr. William Pheiffer as speaker. Mr. Pheiffer is headmaster of the Charlotte Country Day School and was formerly in charge of education for the Historic Williamsburg Foundation.

At its May 22 meeting the Clarendon Award was presented to Mrs. E. M. McEachern and Mrs. R. W. Williams for their "outstanding contribution to the interpretation, appreciation and preservation of history of the Lower Cape Fear through historical writing." Officers for the coming year are Augustus B. Moore, Jr., president; Mrs. Paul Hendren, vice-president; Mrs. Tilghman Poole and Miss Margaret Hall, secretaries; Mrs. Ida B. Kellam, archivist; Mrs. Robert Walker, assistant archivist; Mr. Joseph Howard, treasurer; and Dr. Jackson Sparks, assistant treasurer.

Because of increasing expenses and need for funds to repair the Latimer House, the board of the society recently voted to increase dues. Persons interested in joining should know that regular membership dues are $8.00 per year. The society also has provision for contributing, sustaining, life, student, and family memberships.

McDowell County Historical Society

The meeting was held in the conference room of the McDowell Public Library on April 18. The following officers were installed: Mrs. Tom Greenlee, president; Mrs. D. E. Lonon, vice-president; Mrs. Lyle Morgan, secretary-treasurer; and Mrs. Arthur Fossett, publicity chairman. The topic of the program was "The 1916 Flood." Persons with photographs of that flood were asked to take them to the meeting.

Maxton Historical Society

The society sponsored a mini-festival the week of April 2-6 in connection with the American Revolution bicentennial. Films of Maxton during the 1930s were shown, and there were various activities such as an antique show, bake sales, promenades in centennial costumes, etc. Proceeds from sales during the festival will be used in the society's project of acquiring a museum for the town. Roland H. Seals is president of the organization, and additional information may be obtained by writing to him at P.O. Box 1874, Maxton, 28364.

Mecklenburg Historical Association

On May 20 a wreath-laying ceremony was held at the Signer's Monument at the courthouse in Charlotte. On the same day the James Latta House was dedicated; the restoration of this house has been a project of the association for many months. The observance of the day was highlighted with an address by United States President Gerald R. Ford.

Mint Museum of Art

The 1975 annual September seminar is to be held under the auspices of the Delhom Service League. Three days of lectures, September 16, 17, and 18, will be devoted to English and continental pottery and porcelain. Persons interested in this activity should write to the September Seminar, Mint Museum of Art, P.O. Box 6011, 501 Hempstead Place, Charlotte, 28207. Cost of the three-day session is $55.00, but a single-day session is $25.00.

Moore County Historical Association

The association sponsored its eighteenth annual Antiques Show April 3-4 in Southern Pines.

Moravian Music Foundation

The foundation's latest newsletter listed contributors to the Friends of the Moravian Music Foundation for the year 1974. Contributors came from thirty-four states, with the largest concentration being in North Carolina and Pennsylvania, and from six foreign countries.

Mordecai Square Historical Society

The weekend of April 12-13 the society sponsored a plant and herb sale at the Mordecai House gardens and arranged for a talk on the history of the United States as told by its stamps. The latter was given by William McPherson of Raleigh; Mr. McPherson displayed his stamp collection and also read from family letters describing Raleigh in the 1840s.

Murfreesboro Historical Association

The $3,000 check presented to the association on January 25 was donated by the John and Mary Camp Foundation of Franklin, Virginia. The name of the foundation as reported in the May issue of *Carolina Comments* was incorrect.

Museum of Early Southern Decorative Arts

The Museum of Early Southern Decorative Arts in Winston-Salem has recently initiated a new publication, *Journal of Early Southern Decorative Arts*. Number 1 of the first volume was published in May; it included articles by Bradford L. Rauschenberg, Frank L. Horton, and Carolyn J. Weekley. MESDA is seeking new members, and all members will receive each issue of the *Journal*, plus announcements of regular and special museum programs. Individual memberships are $15.00, but persons are asked to contribute insofar as they are able and willing; the goal is to obtain at least $10,000 from this initial appeal. Checks should be made payable to MESDA and sent addressed to Members of MESDA, Drawer F, Salem Station, Winton-Salem. N.C., 27108. Frank L. Horton is director of MESDA.

North Carolina Presbyterian Historical Society

The spring meeting of the North Carolina Presbyterian Historical Society was held on April 4 in White Memorial Presbyterian Church, Raleigh, with President A. M. Patterson presiding. Special music was provided by the Westminster Choir of New Jersey. The featured address was by Dr. Harold J. Dudley, who spoke on the life of Dr. David Caldwell. Among items of business was the election of Rev. J. R. Dail as third vice-president, and the selection of Montreat as the location for the fall meeting of the society. The society welcomes new members and those interested should write the Secretary, P.O. Box 10785, Raleigh, 27605.

North Carolina Sons of the American Revolution

The organization awarded for the first time a silver bowl for the outstanding book on North Carolina history relating to the Revolution which had been published by a Tar Heel author during the preceding year. This year's winner was Dr. Don Higginbotham, who, with Kenneth Nebenzahl, published *Atlas of the American Revolution* in 1974; the book was issued by Rand McNally and Co. The society also awarded a silver cup for the best article on the period which has been published in the *North Carolina Historical Review* during the preceding year. The winner of this award was Dr. Alan D. Watson of the University of North Carolina at Wilmington, whose article, "The Ferry in Colonial North Carolina: A Vital Link in Transportation," was judged best. The awards were begun by the society as a feature of its observance of the American Revolution bicentennial in the hopes of encouraging scholarly writing on North Carolina topics relating to the Revolution. President of the organization is Dr. Herbert C. Bradshaw of Durham.

Old Salem

Mr. Hunter James has completed a manuscript on the problems and disasters of the Moravians of Wachovia during the American Revolution. The publication is tentatively titled *The Quiet People of the Land*. Another manuscript, planned for the Old Salem series, is by Elizabeth Hedgecock Sparks (Beth Tartan) which will be on food of early Wachovia. It will include recipes from the Winkler Family Cookbook. The Old Salem series is being published in collaboration with the University of North Carolina Press.

Activity in the area of archaeology has also been carried out at Old Salem in recent weeks. Eighteenth century building fragments and other archaeological remains were found in three test pits opened on the site of the old Single Brothers Workshop.

Onslow County Historical Society

Speaker for the April 16 meeting was Ms. Janet Speaker, a member of the staff of the Historic Sites Section of the Division of Archives and History. Mrs. Isobel Boteler is president of the Onslow group.

Pasquotank Historical Society

Officers elected at the March 18 meeting of the society are E. O. "Jack" Baum, president; Mrs. Norman K. Shannonhouse, vice-president; Mrs. W. J. Overman, Jr., secretary; Mrs. C. C. Bell, treasurer; and Mrs. J. J. Overman, Sr., historian. The meeting of the society was held at the Museum of the Albemarle.

Pitt County Historical Society

On April 8 members gathered at the Parish House of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Greenville to view a film, *Churchill—The Man.* On April 9 the society served as one of eight local organizations which cosponsored a series of four discussions at East Carolina University on the theme: "Urbanization: Changing Values and New Priorities." (See East Carolina University news for further details.)

Stanly County-Albemarle Historical Museum Association, Inc.

A gift of $500 was recently given to the association by the New London Lions Club, the money being earmarked for acquisition and installation of display cases at the Snuggs House. Restoration of the historic house is under way. President of the association is Hugh Efird.

Stokes County Historical Society

The society met March 25 at the Stokesburg United Methodist Church in Walnut Cove with Dr. Maurice Stirewalt as speaker. Dr. Stirewalt is state coordinator for the courses in local history and biography which are being given at various locations throughout North Carolina.

Surry County Historical Association

The association has completed a topographical map of the Franklin House. This will be used in carrying out plans for restoration of the historic structure. The March 17 meeting was held at Surry Community College. Officers are Dr. Swanson Richards, president; Franklin Folger of Elkin and Stan Rogee, vice-presidents; Mrs. Cama Merritt, secretary; and Miss Ruth Minick, treasurer.

Thomasville Historical Society

The society voted to bid on a government-owned lot near the post office in

hopes that this step will result in success in preserving the old railroad depot. Plans are being made to move the abandoned station to the lot and restore the structure. At a meeting on February 24 members of the society learned of the availability of Community Development funds for preservation projects, and optimism was expressed that financial aid might be secured through this means.

Vance County Historical Society

Speaker for the April 10 meeting was Mike Southern, a member of the staff of the Historic Sites Section of the Division of Archives and History. Mr. Southern, a survey specialist, has been working in Vance and Franklin counties identifying structures of historical significance. John Mundy is president of the organization.

Wake County Historical Society

On April 20 a puppet show, "Freedom's Apprentice," was presented for the enjoyment of members of the society. The five-act play featured John Adams, a North Carolina boy named Hank Whitmore, Red Coat soldiers, Patrick Henry, and other individuals from Revolutionary times. The society endorsed the show and voted to grant $200 to help underwrite the presentation in Wake County schools during the coming year. Its creators would like also to show it to students in schools in nearby counties. On May 10 members of the society toured the Beaufort restoration. An all-day bus trip was arranged; and Mr. Graydon Paul, a cofounder of the Beaufort restoration conducted the tour in the historic town.

Western North Carolina Historical Association

The association met April 19 at Haywood Technical Institute in Clyde. Miss Mary Cornwall, home economics extension agent for Haywood County, was the speaker; she discussed mountain crafts as an industry. At that meeting, Miss Cornwell, who lives at Lake Junaluska, was awarded the Western North Carolina Historical Association's 1975 Achievement Award for her leadership in the field of mountain crafts. She founded the Village of Yesteryear craft center at the North Carolina State Fair and was instrumental in establishing the North Carolina Museum of Handicrafts on the Haywood Technical Institute campus.

The society, at this meeting, passed a resolution urging the Southern Railway to preserve the Biltmore passenger station as a community landmark and permit its adaptive use. A report was made by Mrs. Frances McDowell, chairman of the Heritage Center Committee, that progress was being made at the Smith-McDowell House. The building and grounds have been cleaned, and plans have been made for additional work. The society's fiscal year runs from May 1 to April 30, and persons interested in joining or renewing membership should mail their fees in to the treasurer, Dr. Richard W. Iobst, P.O. Box 373-A, Cullowhee, 28723. Active memberships are $4.00 per year. Those wishing to contribute to the work of the association and its Western North Carolina Heritage Center (Smith-MacDowell House) should send a tax deductible contribution to Mr. Jesse P. Surles, who is treasurer of this fund. His address is P.O. Box 7342, Asheville, 28807.

Wilmington-New Hanover Museum

A spring seminar, part of the Junior League Museum Program, was held in Wilmington May 28-30. Centering on the American Revolution Bicentennial, the May 28 speakers included Col. Robert Milner, director of the New Hanover County Bicentennial, who spoke on "What is the Bicentennial?" and Mrs. E. M. McEachern and Mrs. Isabel M. Williams, whose topic was "The Safety Committee of 1774-1775—What Their Minutes Say to Us." Dr. Alan Watson's paper on May 29 was "The Shaping of a Revolutionary Mentality—Lawlessness in Colonial North America." The last day of the seminar, Dr. Larry Wheeler took as his topic, "What Made the 18th Century Colonist Choose to Fight for Freedom? and Dr. Jeffrey Crow spoke on "When in the Course of Human Events." There were also scheduled periods for open discussion.

Wilson County Historical Society

The society sponsored a bus tour of old homes in Wilson County on April 6. Tourists visited the Wiley Simms House near Evansdale, the Webb-Barron-Wells House near Bridgersville, the Armstrong-Moore House near Town Creek, and the Rountree Hutchinson House in Wilson.

Calendar of Scheduled Events

June 29-August 31, North Carolina Museum of History, exhibit of Doris Ulmann photographs

July 20, opening of Museum of History "Black Biography" exhibit featuring Henry F. Cheatham, the only black man in the U.S. Congress from 1891 to 1893

August 20, opening of Museum of History "Black Biography" exhibit featuring Charles C. Spaulding, early general manager and president of North Carolina Mutual Insurance Company

August 24, bicentennial of Third Provincial Congress, Hillsborough

"Month of Sundays" program at Museum of History—Sundays at 3:00
July: "Films for the Family"
August: "Horror Movies"
September: "Garbo Greats"

Questions from the Mail

Q. I sent some money to the State Archives and requested two reels of microfilm. Why was my money returned?

A. The state auditor does not permit acceptance of payment unless it is received in response to invoices or specific orders. In the past, when orders were not precise but were filled with microfilm which the staff thought was needed, it often developed that the film sent was not that which was wanted.

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Therefore, the staff now responds with a yellow form giving the identity of the film which appears to be what is wanted. When the yellow form is returned as verification, along with payment, the film will be duplicated. It can only be sent to the person ordering it, not to a third person or to another place.

Q. May I now buy Capitol copper jewelry by a mail order?

A. Unfortunately lack of staff makes it impossible to handle mail orders. Jewelry is being placed at some of the state historic sites, however, and will be available not only in the Archives and History-State Library Building in Raleigh but at the Polk Birthplace in Charlotte, Alamance Battleground near Burlington, and at the Vance Birthplace near Asheville. Plans are being made to sell the jewelry at additional sites after details can be worked out.

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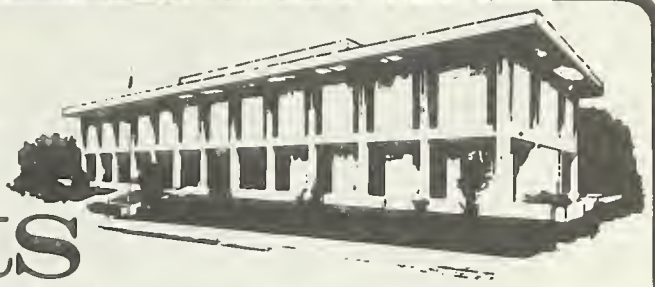

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Legislative Action Affects Archives and History

In view of the economic climate faced by the 1975 session of the General Assembly, the Division of Archives and History fared quite well. It would not be correct to state that every pressing need was filled or to state that certain actions of the General Assembly, particularly in the area of budgetary considerations, did not impose new limitations; but all in all the picture remains positive. Because the General Assembly was confronted with decreased revenues and, at the same time voted to support increased appropriations in some areas, it was necessary for the House and Senate appropriations committees to find places in the state budget where cuts could be made. Under the circumstances, the Division of Archives and History was fortunate in receiving new appropriations for the expansion of its archaeological program and its historical publications program. While the latter was assured the continuation of the Colonial Records Project at its present level, including the overseas work, for another year and received funds for limited expansion elsewhere in the publications program, a quirk of legislative procedures limited the expansion to only one fiscal year. At the same time, relatively small decreases were made in the printing account of historical publications. Other cuts were made in a special moving expense for the State Records Center and in a contractural service account of the archaeology program. The largest and most significant reductions in the total divisional budget, however, occurred in the historic sites program where the account for hiring temporary workers at the state-owned historic sites was sliced in half.

The General Assembly proved to be most generous in the appropriation of funds for the purposes of historic preservation, however. Inclusive of an appropriation of $270,000 for the renovation of the Executive Mansion, the General Assembly provided a total of $403,500 during fiscal year 1975-1976 and $236,000 during fiscal year 1976-1977 for the preservation or development of historic properties. Amounts ranging from $10,000 to $25,000 were appropriated for seventeen separate projects which were reviewed by the North Carolina Historical Commission. Older projects previously receiving state funds which were granted new appropriations included: Newbold-White House, Thalian Hall, Old Salem, Burwell School, the Mountain Gateway Museum, Richmond Hill Law School, Wright Tavern, and Fort Defiance. Projects which received funds for the first time were the following: the Smith-McDowell House (Asheville), William King House (Bertie County), Kerr Mill (Rowan County), Caldwell Log College Site (Guilford

County), and Buck Spring (Nathaniel Macon Home, Warren County). In addition to sums appropriated for the foregoing nonstate properties, additional amounts were provided for land acquisition and capital improvements at the House in the Horseshoe, Reed Gold Mine, Historic Halifax, and Duke Homestead, all of which are state-owned and operated historic sites.

In the field of statutory legislation, three significant new bills were enacted into law. Affecting the State Archives was an amendment to Chapter 132 of the *General Statutes* which increases the penalties for retaining illegal possession of North Carolina public records and which establishes penalties for the larceny, mutilation, or defacement of records in the State Archives. A related but separate amendment clarifies the meaning of the term "public record," as defined in Chapter 132, and provides a civil remedy for the recovery of public records. The effect of both amendments further strengthens the State Archives and the state of North Carolina in the protection of public records. Another significant piece of legislation reclassifies historic properties throughout the state of North Carolina for the purposes of ad valorem taxation. Under the provisions of this amendment to Chapter 105, any historic property which is properly classified by a local historic properties commission may become eligible for a 50 percent reduction in the levied taxation rate on real and personal property. Once the conditions for such a reduction are met, this amendment should provide significant assistance to private citizens attempting to maintain and preserve historic properties.

State Capitol Designated National Historic Landmark

On June 2 the State Capitol of North Carolina was formally designated a National Historic Landmark. In ceremonies held in the Chamber of the House of Representatives, with members of both houses of the legislature in attendance, a certificate of registry was presented by the Honorable Douglas P. Wheeler, deputy assistant secretary of the United States Department of Interior, to Gov. James E. Holshouser, Jr. The Honorable James B. Hunt, Jr., lieutenant governor and president of the Senate, presided; and a brief history of the Capitol was given by the Honorable James C. Green, speaker of the House of Representatives. Mr. Wheeler was presented by Mrs. Grace J. Rohrer, secretary of the Department of Cultural Resources. National Historic Landmarks are given to sites "where American History took on the haunting gleam of everlasting significance." The landmark certificates are issued by the National Park Service, a division of the Department of Interior.

Above, Deputy Assistant Secretary Douglas P. Wheeler from the United States Department of the Interior spoke at the presentation ceremony during with a plaque designating the State Capitol a National Historic Landmark was unveiled. Right, standing behind the plaque are Mrs. James E. Holshouser, Jr., Governor Holshouser, Mr. Wheeler, and Dr. Albert G. Edwards, pastor of Raleigh's First Presbyterian Church.

Historic Sites Receive Funds

The first privately sponsored national historic site grant program has awarded grants to 115 American landmarks, three of which are in North Carolina: Duke Homestead in Durham, Cupola House in Edenton, and Blandwood in Greensboro. The grants were sponsored by Bird & Son, Inc., of East Walpole, Massachusetts. Bird & Son is one of the nation's oldest manufacturing firms, producing building materials and industrial machinery; it was formed in 1795. The company awarded $100,000 in matching grants of up to $5,000 for exterior improvements. Approximately 800 applications were received in the four-month period following the announcement of the program last November.

Historic Preservation Seminar Planned

The Institute of Government of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and the Division of Archives and History have planned a fourth course entitled "Planning for Historic Preservation." This course will be held September 13-21 and will be conducted by persons prominent in planning and historic preservation in the United States and England. Dr. Robert E. Stipe, former director of the Division of Archives and History, will serve as director. For further information, write to Greer Suttlemyre, Division of Archives and History, Department of Cultural Resources, 109 East Jones Street, Raleigh, 27611. The course is funded in part by a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts; enrollment is limited to thirty.

Archives Sponsors Institutes

For the second year the State Archives sponsored an Institute for Advanced Researchers, May 20-24. The program, led by Paul Hoffman, head of the Archives Branch, consisted of lectures and workshops involving the use of records in the Archives and Land Grant Office in the Office of the Secretary of State. Lectures were given on the following types of records: cartographic, marriage, wills and estates, military, census and tax, and court. Lecturers included Richard F. Knapp, George Stevenson, Cathy Jackson, Ruby Arnold, Ed Morris, Betty Yarbrough, Ellen McGrew, Dick Lankford, Percy Hines, and William S. Price, Jr. In addition to persons just named, who are on the staff of the Division of Archives and History, speakers were Marshall Happer, an attorney of Raleigh; Mrs. Mattie Erma Parker, former editor of the *Colonial Records*; Dr. Charles Holloman, a member of the staff of the Department of Community Colleges; and Mrs. Margaret Hofmann of Roanoke Rapids. Twenty-six persons attended the workshop, including individuals from Ohio, Florida, Indiana, Alabama, South Carolina, Georgia, Virginia, and Washington, D.C., as well as North Carolina.

A benefit workshop in local history and genealogy was offered July 19-20, with proceeds going to complete payment for the Mary J. Rogers portrait. Time was donated by those who lectured, including Mr. Hoffman, Mr. Hines, Dr. Price, Mr. Stevenson, Mrs. McGrew, Miss Jackson, Mr. John Flowers, Dr. Thornton W. Mitchell, Mr. Weymouth T. Jordan, Jr., Mr. Roger Jones, Miss Beth Crabtree, and Mrs. Minnie Peebles—all members of the staff of the division—and by Dr. Thomas C. Parramore of Meredith College, Mr. Don Lennon of East Carolina University, Mr. John Woodard of Wake Forest University, and Miss Edith Clark of Salisbury. Over eighty people heard

A reception to welcome persons attenc ing the Institute for Advanced Researcher was held in the parlor of the oldest bric building in Raleigh, which opened for busi ness as the State Bank of North Carolin in 1814. Today the building is owned by th North Carolina National Bank; it currentl houses the North Carolina American Revc lution Bicentennial Committee.

discussions of methodology, court records for local history and for genealogy researching local architecture, land grant records, Granville land records deeds, Revolutionary War records, Civil War genealogy and local history census records, wills and estates, marriage records, tax records, privat collections, research in newspapers, and church records.

Cain, Stevenson to Swap Jobs; Archives Staff News

Dr. Robert J. Cain, overseas researcher who has been working in th British Public Record Office in London and in other repositories in Englanc since the fall of 1969, will be returning to North Carolina this fall. Th General Assembly provided funds to continue the overseas work of th Colonial Records Project for the current fiscal year, and continuation of th research after this year is uncertain. Mr. George Stevenson, an archivist or the staff of the Archives and Records Section, went to England in Augus where he is working with Dr. Cain for several weeks; Dr. Cain will assum Mr. Stevenson's responsibilities in the State Archives upon his return t Raleigh this month. Mr. Stevenson has been processing documents sent fron England by Dr. Cain and is well qualified to continue the overseas researcl with a minimum of disruption in the work.

Dr. William S. Price, Jr., head of the Colonial Records Branch of th Historical Publications Section, and Dr. Jeffrey Crow, heritage consultan with the North Carolina American Revolution Bicentennial Committee, were selected as participants in the all-expense paid seminar on historical publi- cations which was sponsored by the American Association for State and Local History. They were in Nashville, Tennessee, June 22-28. Mrs. Ruth C Langston, editorial assistant with the Colonial Records Branch, retired June 30. Her position was filled by the promotion of Mrs. Donna H. Goswick and Mrs. Goswick's job of clerk-typist IV was assumed by Miss Eleanor Hill who transferred and was promoted from the part-time clerk-typist III position with the Civil War Roster Branch. Miss Beth Crabtree, historical publications editor, is on loan until December 31 to the Department of Administration; she is working with persons responsible for renovation of the Governor's Mansion.

Dr. Thornton W. Mitchell, state archivist, spoke in Birmingham, Alabama June 18 at the Samford University Institute of Genealogical Research. On June 26-27 he attended a meeting of the Board of Regents of the Institute of Certified Records Managers in Washington, D.C. He and Dr. Larry E. Tise acting director of the Division of Archives and History, attended the annua

Summer Projects in Archives

Dr. Donna Spindel
Duke, '75

Jack White
Davidson, '75

Cathy Thompson
Duke, '76

Josh Holtzman
UNC-CH, '77

Particularly interesting projects were undertaken by summer employees in the Archives ranch. A recent graduate of the Duke University doctoral program in history and a contract esearcher, Dr. Donna Spindel gathered material for an information circular on Indian ecords in the Archives. One of the twenty-five interns working in state government under the egis of the Institute of Government, Cathy Thompson, a rising senior at Duke University, ompiled a guide to records by and about women in nonpublic records (private collections, rganizations, etc.). In addition to working as attendants in the Search Room, two interns nder the state program, Jack White, a recent graduate of Davidson College who this fall nters two post-graduate years at Oxford University, began an annotated index to laws eflected in the generation of records of state agencies; and Josh Holtzman, a rising junior the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, revised indexes to original wills for a umber of counties.

eeting of the National Association of State Archives and Records Administ-ators in St. Louis, Missouri, July 24-25.

Dr. Tise had as an Institute of Government summer intern Mr. K. Michael arnhill, who is a student at East Carolina University.

Ms. Kathleen Pepi of the Historic Sites Section staff attended a seminar n Atlanta, Georgia, sponsored by the U.S. Department of Housing and rban Development June 2-3 on the subject of neighborhood preservation. Ir. Robert O. Conway, western representative with the Historic Sites ection, attended the Regional Forum on "Appalachia Looks at Its Future,"

held at East Tennessee State University in Johnson City, Tennessee, Jun 11-13. Among others on the staff of the section who spoke at various stat and local meetings were Messrs. Bruce MacDougal, Greer Suttlemyre, Jerr C. Cashion, Brent D. Glass, Gerald F. Butler, and George Stinagle, Dr Richard F. Knapp, and Ms. Janet L. Seapker.

Personnel changes in the Division of Archives and History include th appointment of Dick Ellis as administrator of the North Carolina Americar Revolution Bicentennial Committee. Mr. Ellis succeeds Mrs. Frances F Tomlin.

Mrs. Jamie Boozer resigned as site manager at the House in the Horsesho and was succeeded by Mr. Sherwood A. Godwin, who was formerly ground maintenance man at Duke Homestead. Mr. Godwin was replaced by Mr William Thomas, a temporary employee with the Museum of History. Thre individuals were placed under contract to complete specific projects: Mr. L Trenton Price to prepare measured drawings of the Thomas Wolfe Memoria and other historic sites; Ms. Margaret Stephenson to prepare completio reports on the National Park Service grants; and Mr. Cary M. Euwer, Jr. to study the state government mall area. Ms. Catherine Verdone was em ployed as a landscape architect intern to design gardens for Halifax and t assist in landscaping plans for other sites.

A new member of the Museum of History staff is Joseph V. Henderson III electronic technician in the Audiovisuals Branch; he reported for work or July 16. Mrs. Margaret N. Williamson was appointed a clerk-stenographe III at the State Records Branch of the Archives and Records Section, effec tive June 1.

Publications Section Has Authors' Day

A second Tar Heel Authors' Day was planned by Ms. Betsy Buford marketing specialist who worked with the Historical Publications Sectio during the summer. Following the format of the May 31 event in Raleigh a second Authors' Day was scheduled for Asheville Mall in Asheville o June 14. It was cosponsored by B Dalton Bookseller. Participating author and editors, who had written or edited materials published by the Divisio of Archives and History, were Miss Beth Crabtree; Drs. Richard L. Zuber Richard W. Iobst, and William Cumming; Mr. Stanley A. South; and Mrs Memory F. Mitchell. Special participants were Robert O. Conway, westerr representative for the Division of Archives and History, and Mrs. Sudi Wheeler of the Zebulon B. Vance Birthplace. Mr. Conway displayed artifact of earlier days and Thomas Wolfe memorabilia, and Mrs. Wheeler assiste as one of the hostesses for the event. As a result of Ms. Buford's efforts, number of bookstores in North Carolina are now carrying Archives an History publications.

The week of June 30-July 4, several members of the section participated i Bette Elliott's "Femme Fare" on WRAL-TV in Raleigh. The topic for th week was "Women in History," and section participants included Dr. Wil liam S. Price, who talked about "Women in Colonial North Carolina" on on day, and "Women and the American Revolution" on a second day. Mis Marie D. Moore took as her topic, "Women in the *North Carolina Historica Review*," discussing articles in which women, such as Annie Oakley, ha been featured. Miss Crabtree and Mrs. James E. Holshouser, Jr., discusse first ladies and the Governor's Mansion, pointing out various renovatio

projects which had been carried on in the past as well as work in progress now. Mrs. Mitchell's topic was "Women in the Law: A Look at North Carolina."

"Lit and Hist" to Celebrate Seventy-fifth Anniversary

A feature of Culture Week, scheduled for November 4 through 8 at the Sheraton Crabtree Motor Inn in Raleigh, will be the observance of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of the oldest of the participating societies, the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association.

The annual banquet on Friday evening, November 7, will honor living former presidents—twenty-one of them in all—who are invited to be guests of the association. At the evening session Dr. Frontis W. Johnston, dean of Davidson College and president of the organization from 1951 to 1953, will review the influence of the association since its beginning in 1900.

At the Friday morning session, following the business meeting, Dr. Blyden Jackson of the Department of English, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, will talk on George Moses Horton, the black poet; and Dr. Richard Bardolph, chairman of the Department of History, University of North Carolina at Greensboro, will discuss books entered in the Mayflower competition. At the luncheon Professor Walter Spearman, literary critic and journalist, will review works entered in the Sir Walter Raleigh, Roanoke-Chowan, and AAUW competitions. Awards will be presented on the following schedule: Roanoke-Chowan, AAUW, and AASLH awards at the morning session; Robert D. W. Connor and Undergraduate Paper awards at the luncheon; and the Mayflower, Sir Walter Raleigh, and Christopher Crittenden awards at the evening session.

A reception Friday night will conclude the diamond anniversary.

Attention Historical and Preservation Organizations

Each year the Historic Preservation Society of North Carolina presents incentive grants to historical and preservation organizations to encourage them in their efforts toward preserving historic sites and structures. Organizations which have applied in previous years but have not received grants may update their applications and reapply. The deadline for receiving applications is October 1. Recipients will be notified by the Incentive Grant Committee around the last of October, and awards will be presented at the society's annual meeting held during Culture Week in Raleigh, November 6. Information and application forms may be secured by writing to Mrs. Frances H. Whitley, Historic Preservation Society, 109 East Jones Street, Raleigh, 27611.

Tryon Palace Schedules Fall Events

On Sunday, October 19, the gardens of the Tryon Palace Complex will be open free of charge when "Chrysanthemum Sunday" is held. The fall meeting of the Tryon Palace Commission will be held on October 20 and 21, at which time the west wall and tablet in the Kellenberger Garden will be dedicated. The tablet will honor Mrs. John A. Kellenberger and the late Mr. Kellenberger, whose names are synonymous with Tryon Palace.

Mr. Donald R. Taylor, administrator of the palace, has received a National Endowment for the Arts grant which will permit him to have a

six-week study tour of the British Isles. He will leave for England on September 2 and will return on October 14. During his absence Mr. W. H. Rea, restoration horticulturist, will serve as acting administrator. Dabney M. Coddington, Jr., has been named curator of education for Tryon Palace and Miss Julia B. Claypool has joined the education department as education specialist. Leroy Sanders has been designated housekeeping assistant, replacing Sylvester Fisher, who retired April 30.

Archives Accessions Records

A total of 118 accessions were entered by the State Archives, March through May.

The Local Records Branch transferred original records from Brunswick (53 boxes), Clay (36 boxes), Surry (10 volumes), and Wake (455 boxes, 5 volumes) counties as well as security microfilm records of Camden, Davidson, Edgecombe, Jackson, and New Hanover counties. Also transferred were security microfilm of Carolina Beach, Pinetops, Rocky Mount, Tarboro, Thomasville, and Wilmington municipal records and church records from the counties of Davidson, Edgecombe, Jackson, and New Hanover.

State agency records accessioned included records of the Banking Commission (1 cubic foot), the Eugenics Board (8 cubic feet), the General Assembly (3 volumes), the Governor's Office (63 cubic feet, 3 volumes, 2 post binders, and 1 box), Division of Archives and History (1 reel microfilm, 68 color transparencies and separation negatives, 1 booklet), and Division of Social Services (268 cubic feet).

New private collections during this period were the Alston-DeGraffenreid Papers, the John Ashworth Papers, the Henry E. Benton Papers, the Beeson and Linehan Papers, the Henry B. Johnston Collection, and the John W. Taylor Papers. Additions were made to the Mary Deal Haynes Collection, the Hugh Buckner Johnston Collection, the McKay-Cromartie Papers, the Allan Sly Papers, the Robert W. Scott II Collection, and the William Kerr Scott Papers.

Various organizations deposited records with the Archives including the Daughters of the Revolution of 1776, the North Carolina Family Life Council, the North Carolina Fruit Growers Association, the League of Women Voters of North Carolina, the League of Women Voters of Raleigh-Wake County, the League of Women Voters of Winston-Salem, the North Carolina State Mothers Association, and the United Church Women of North Carolina.

Other accessions included 15 reels of motion picture film; 42 miscellaneous genealogies and Bible records; volumes of church histories from Halifax and Rowan counties; 3 additions to the Civil War Collection; 1 addition to the World War I Collection; and 1 addition to the Local History Collection for Warren County.

Bicentennial Issues Publications

The first two volumes of a projected twenty-volume pamphlet series by the North Carolina American Revolution Bicentennial have been published. The first, by Jeffrey J. Crow, is entitled *A Chronicle of North Carolina during the American Revolution, 1763-1789*; the second is by William S. Price and is entitled *Not a Conquered People: Two Carolinians View Parlia-*

mentary Taxation. They are priced at $1.50 each and are available through the North Carolina Bicentennial, Department of Cultural Resources, 109 East Jones Street, Raleigh, 27611.

Revised 1913 *Manual* Available

After four years of preparation the revised and updated edition of *A Manual of North Carolina . . . 1913* is available. The new volume, entitled *North Carolina Government, 1585-1974: A Narrative and Statistical History*, was prepared by John L. Cheney, Jr., for the North Carolina Department of the Secretary of State. Its size is 7½ x 10½ and has nearly 1,600 pages including an extensive bibliography and index. The increased use of footnotes, illustrations, maps, short narratives, and photographs is expected to enhance the statistical material in the book. The cost of the book will be $25.00 including tax and postage. Orders may be sent to: "North Carolina Government," c/o Publications Division, North Carolina Department of the Secretary of State, Raleigh, 27603, or by telephone (919) 829-7355. Only 1,000 copies are available for public sale, so orders should be placed early.

AASLH to Publish North Carolina History

Professor William S. Powell of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill has been selected to write the volume on North Carolina in the Bicentennial State Histories series, which will be published by the American Association for State and Local History. The series will contain fifty-one volumes covering each state and the District of Columbia; it is being made possible by grants from the National Endowment for the Humanities. Professor Powell's volume, "will be an interpretive essay, characterizing the peoples of North Carolina historically, and showing the relationship of their state's history, their particular experiences, their applications of democracy, and their values, to those of the nation as a whole."

Mr. Powell, a former curator of the North Carolina Collection at the University of North Carolina Library, is now a professor in the Department of History at Chapel Hill. He is well known for his many books and articles on North Carolina history, including *The North Carolina Gazetteer*, *The First State University: A Pictorial History of the University of North Carolina*, and his recent book written with Dr. Hugh T. Lefler entitled *Colonial North Carolina: A History*. He has written and edited a number of publications published by the Division of Archives and History including *The Regulators in North Carolina*, which he edited in conjunction with James K. Huhta and Thomas J. Farnham.

New Director of SHC Named

Dr. Carolyn A. Wallace has been named director of the Southern Historical Collection and Manuscripts Department. A former curator in the department, Dr. Wallace has been a member of the staff of the Southern Historical Collection for twenty-three years. She began her new duties on July 1.

Dr. Wallace, whose Ph.D. in history is from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, is the wife of Dr. Wesley Wallace of the radio, motion picture, and television department. She is editing the papers of David L. Swain, governor of North Carolina, 1832-1835, and president of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill from 1836 to 1868. The Swain Papers will be published by the Division of Archives and History.

National Register Entries Added since July

Since the July issue of *Carolina Comments* was published, a number of structures have been added to the National Register of Historic Places. These are pictured on this and the following two pages.

Left, Dean Farm; right, Shemuel Kearney House, both in Franklin County.

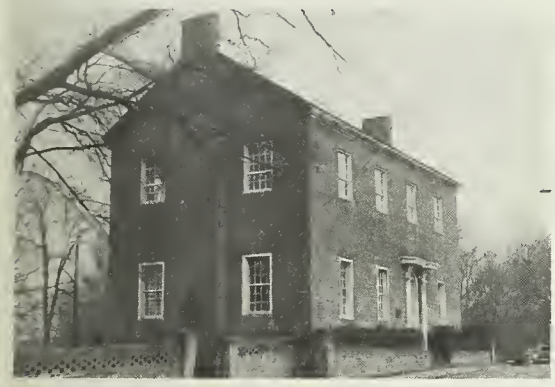
Left, Dr. Samuel Perry House; right, Archibald Taylor House, both in Franklin County.

Left, Vine Hill; right, Laurel Mill, both in Franklin County.

Left, Col. Jordan Jones House; right, Williamson House, both in Franklin County.

Left, Green Hill House, Franklin County; right, the Hermitage, Halifax County.

Left, Lea Laboratory, former Wake Forest College campus, Wake Forest, Wake County; right, Robeson Plantation, Bladen County.



Left, Pleasant Retreat Academy, Lincoln County; right, Verona, Northampton County.

Left, Jeff White House, Madison County; right, Alpheus Jones House (Seth Jones 1847 Restaurant), near Raleigh, Wake County.

Left, Atkinson-Smith House, Johnston County; right, Johnson-Neel House, Iredell County.

Left, St. Paul's Episcopal Church and Churchyard, Edenton, Chowan County; right, Banker's House, Shelby, Cleveland County.

Obituaries

Thor Martin Johnson, founder and director of eleven Moravian Music Festivals and longtime trustee and consultant of the Moravian Music Foundation, died unexpectedly on January 16. Persons wishing to send a memorial may do so by contributing to the Thor Johnson Living Tribute Fund. Contributions will be used to further work in which Dr. Johnson was interested, including work of the foundation. Tax-deductible contributions should be sent to the Moravian Music Foundation, Drawer Z, Salem Station, Winston-Salem, 27108.

Dr. John J. Van Noppen III, professor emeritus of English at Appalachian State University, died July 28. He and his widow, Dr. Ina W. Van Noppen, were the authors of *Western North Carolina Since the Civil War.*

Colleges and Universities

Appalachian State University

Dr. H. G. Jones, curator of the North Carolina Collection, spoke at the dedication of the D. J. Whitener Hall at Appalachian State University on July 27. The building, named in honor of the late North Carolina historian and former member of the Executive Board of the State Department of Archives and History, houses the history, political science, and sociology departments as well as the university's television studios and computer center.

North Carolina State University

Professor William H. Beezeley spoke at Guatamala City, Guatamala, at the Tulane Summer Institution June 13 on the topic of "Nineteenth Century Central American Politics." Dr. John M. Riddle published "Theory and Practice in Medieval Medicine," in *Viator Medieval and Renaissance Studies*, Volume 5 (1974) and "Latin Alphabetical Dioscriedes," in *Proceedings of the XIII Congress for the History of Sciences, Moscow, 1974.*

Several promotions should be noted. Dr. James A. Mulholland was made assistant department head in January, and the following promotions were effective in July: Stanley Suval, from associate professor to professor; Edith D. Sylla, from assistant professor to associate professor; and Charles H. Carlton, from assistant professor to associate professor.

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Dr. H. G. Jones gave the awards luncheon address at the eleventh annual Tar Heel Writers Roundtable in Raleigh on August 16. His topic was "The Writer and the Bicentennial." His article, "Books about North Carolina, 1973-1974," was published in the spring issue of *Mississippi Quarterly.* "Presidential Libraries," a talk given at the American Historical Association in December, 1971, was published in the July issue of the *American Archivist.*

University of North Carolina at Charlotte

During the last fiscal year Professor John Hall retired, Professor R. W. Rieke resigned as chairman of the Department of History, and Professor J. E. Wrigley was designated acting chairman. Paul Escott, a specialist in U.S. southern history and slavery, joined the faculty as assistant professor. Dr. Dan Morrill was promoted to full professor, effective July 1 of this year; he also serves as director of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Properties Commission. Dr. Laura Frech served in the past year as a part-time lecturer in U.S. history. Receiving summer grants from the National Endowment for the Humanities were Harold Josephson and Robert W. Rieke. Others who have recently received grants are John E. Wrigley, Paul Escott, K. David Patterson, Eric Monkkonen, Lyman Johnson, and Sandra Davis.

Dr. Josephson's book, *James T. Shotwell*, was published by the Farleigh Dickinson University Press early in 1974. Dr. Monkkonen was notified that Harvard University Press will publish his doctoral dissertation. Professor

Patterson has published two articles, one in the *Journal of African History* and the other in *History in Africa: A Journal of Method.* Dr. Wrigley contributed a chapter to *Francesco Petrarca: A Symposium,* published by the University of North Carolina Press.

State, County, and Local Groups

Beaufort Historical Association

Michael Smith, furniture curator with the Historic Sites Section of the Division of Archives and History, and his wife visited Beaufort on May 9 and 10 as guests of the association. Mr. Smith spoke on American furniture from 1800 to 1850 at a May 9 meeting held at the Josiah Bell House, which serves as the association's reception center. On May 10 Mrs. Smith, a graduate of the restoration school in Cooperstown, New York, lectured and showed slides on early quilts. This lecture was held in the Parrish House of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Beaufort. The association sponsored a coverlet and quilt exhibit in the Josiah Bell House on that date.

Burke County Historical Society

At the April 17 meeting of the Burke County Historical Society Mrs. Albert F. Garrou of Valdese discussed efforts being made to save Roan Mountain from commercial interests. Dr. Emmett H. White, who presented an account of events leading up to the battle, is compiling a list of Burke County men who fought the Battle of Kings Mountain. Gordon Boger traced the trail of the Patriots Army through Tennessee, North Carolina, and South Carolina to Kings Mountain. While traveling through Burke County, the men camped at Quaker Meadows. A reenactment of the overland march is being planned for fall.

Caldwell County Historical Society

Mrs. Eric Miller, president, presided at the April 22 business meeting. The society discussed erection of landmarks of Caldwell County, and chairmen and committees were chosen for the fall bicentennial celebration, "Blue Ridge Arts and Craft Show." Further planning was done at the May 20 meeting, held at the Caldwell County Library.

Catawba County Historical Association

Dr. J. W. Cavallaro, a physician in Conover, presented a program on Mongolia when the association met on May 7. The meeting was held at the Citizens Savings and Loan Building in Newton. Mrs. Rome Jones is president of the organization.

Cleveland County Historical Association

Artifacts gathered for a county historical museum were shown on April 19 at the courthouse annex. Various sections of the proposed museum were represented, including Revolutionary War artifacts and those relating to communications, government, professions, and early industries and agriculture.

The association met April 28 at the Kings Mountain Community Center. Mayor John Henry Moss was in charge of the program, "What is the Meaning of Kings Mountain?" He introduced the guest speaker, Bobby G. Moss, dean of the Department of History at Limestone College in Gaffney, South Carolina. Dr. Wyan Washburn, the association's president, presided.

Commission on Archives and History, North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church

Dr. Ralph Hardee Rives, chairman of the North Carolina Conference Commission, was one of those who represented the commission at the meeting in Nashville, Tennessee, July 8-10, of the Southeastern Jurisdiction Commission on Archives and History. He and Lawrence Lugar of Fayetteville, vice-president of the North Carolina commission, reported on plans for the observance of the bicentennial within North Carolina Methodism. Each church within the North Carolina Conference has been asked to submit data of a historical nature including the date of the founding of the church and the dates of any deeds. This directory of church histories will be available at a joint session with the Western North Carolina Conference at a special celebration commemorating the founding of the Carolina Circuit which will be held at Duke University next April.

Davidson County Historical Society

The Joseph Schlitz Brewing Company of Winston-Salem donated a log barn, believed to be over 200 years old, to the society on May 7. Dr. James Bingham, Jr., chairman of the Davidson County Bicentennial Commission, and Eddie Smith, mayor of Lexington, were among those who went to Winston-Salem to accept the structure. The building, located on the construction site of the company's new container plant, is to be removed from the site. Plans were made to move the building to Thomasville.

Durham Bicentennial Commission

The Durham Bicentennial Commission's festival division will focus on two major projects during the coming year. The first is sponsorship of a free public cultural event every sixty days or so through July, 1976. These events will be staged in public places and will include neighborhood music festivals, children's parades, crafts fairs, a tobacco festival, concerts and dance performances, and art displays. The second project will be a major "Bicentennial Fair" at West Point Mill on the Eno River from July 1 through July 3, 1976. It is hoped that this will mark the opening of the West Point Mill Park. On July 4 of next year Durham will incorporate its efforts into a major celebration in Raleigh, featuring a state parade, with Durham marching and musical units participating. The Durham bicentennial is hoping to find a sponsor to help finance a "Mini Museum" of Durham history. Space has been donated in the downtown area, but the total cost is estimated to be about $17,000. The museum will serve as a permanent home for the photographic diorama which depicts the history of Durham in photographs and which has been on display at several areas in Durham during the past month. Contributions should be sent to the Durham Bicentennial Commission at Box 1776, Durham, 27702.

Edgecombe County Historical Society

Three urban design graduate students from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill have prepared proposals which were presented to the society in May. These proposals would establish a historic district in Tarboro. Outgoing president of the organization, Mahlon DeLoatch, said that the study would be considered by the society and by the Historic Commission of Tarboro and that support of property owners in the area would be obtained through petitions before the matter was presented to the town council.

Franklin County Historical Society

The society met in the basement of the Cecil Robbins Library at Louisburg College on April 24. Catherine Cockshutt, survey supervisor for the Historic Sites Section of the Division of Archives and History, and Michael Southern, a member of the survey staff, presented the program. They have recently completed a review of old homes in Franklin County. Some twenty-five Franklin County houses will be nominated for the National Register of Historic Places.

Gaston County Historical Society

The society's *Historical Bulletin* for the year 1975, issued in July, reported on a meeting held in February at Belmont Abbey Cathedral. Father Bauder Alcuin, O.S.B., presented a program on the cathedral and led a tour of the structure. The August 14 meeting was held to commemorate the signing of the Tryon Resolves; it was held at the site of the Tryon County Courthouse historical marker between Bessemer City and Cherryville. William N. Craig of Gastonia is president of the Gaston County society. Memberships, which include subscription to the *Bulletin*, are $2.00 a year and should be sent to Treasurer Dalton Stowe, Dallas, 28034.

Greensboro Historical Museum

Trustees of the Greensboro Historical Museum met June 3 and elected Walker Fry Rucker chairman of the board of trustees. He succeeds William H. White. In August the museum held training sessions for new docents. Museum director William J. Moore taped a television show for George Michael's "Antiques X" series, in which he discussed North Carolina folk art.

Harnett County Historical Society

The society met May 27 for a supper meeting at the Spring Hill Methodist Church near Lillington. Rev. James McKenzie of Robbins was the guest speaker. Edward Cameron, of Olivia, is president of the organization.

Historic Albemarle Tour, Inc.

Historic Albemarle Tour was created as a nonprofit corporation on February 10. The idea is to focus attention on the Albemarle area and to encourage visitation to that section of the state. The following sites and museums will be promoted: Belhaven Memorial Museum, Historic Bath, Historic Edenton, Historic Halifax, Historic Murfreesboro, Hope Plantation,

Museum of the Albemarle, Newbold-White House, Roanoke Island Historical Park, and Somerset Place. Headquarters for the Historic Albemarle Tour, Inc., are in Manteo.

Historic Cabarrus, Inc.

The annual meeting of Historic Cabarrus was held May 19. At that time Alex Patterson was reelected president; other officers are Dr. R. Bryan McAllister, first vice-president; Mrs. G. M. Beaver, second vice-president; John Sharpe Hartsell, third vice-president; Mrs. John R. Boger, Jr., secretary; and Howard Smith, treasurer. Announcement was made of an art contest for Concord Middle School students who had used the old courthouse as a model. Efforts are being made to preserve the structure in Concord.

Historic Edenton, Inc.

The Edenton Woman's Club recently awarded $10,000 to Historic Edenton, Inc., and to the Cupola House Association. The money will be used toward restoration of the Cupola House gardens as shown on the 1769 Sauthier map and for completion of the Cupola House formal gardens. A portion of the grant will also be used for structural repairs to the Cupola House and for roof replacement and maintenance at the Barker House. Mrs. Nelson Crandall is president of the Cupola House Association and James Blount is president of Historic Edenton, Inc.

Historic Salisbury Foundation

Edward Clement, who has served as president of the foundation since its organization three years ago, was elected to another term. Serving with him are J. H. Knox, vice-president; Chester ZumBrunnen, treasurer; and Anne H. Murdock, treasurer. The trustees recently voted to hold monthly meetings so as to expedite projects and initiate new ones.

Historic Wilmington Foundation

The May Festival, sponsored by the foundation, was very successful. Gate proceeds totaled over $10,000, and profits were sufficient to provide money for a number of projects of the foundation. Two pieces of Orange Street property purchased by the foundation in November have now been sold to persons who are restoring the houses for occupancy. Carlisle H. Humelsine, president of Colonial Williamsburg and chairman of the board of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, recently toured the historic district of Wilmington. He was conducted on the tour by the director of the foundation, R. V. Asbury, Jr., and the foundation's president, Tom Wright, Jr.

The foundation is continuing to place plaques on houses in the Historic District which are of architectural or historical significance. Only houses 100 years old are eligible for plaques, and these have recently been added to the list: Brown-Lord, William Lincoln Smith, Fennell-Croom, Agostini, and William B. Meares houses as well as Thalian Hall.

Historical Foundation of the Presbyterian Reform Churches

The *Historical Foundation News*, a publication of the foundation, is

sponsoring a special bicentennial concise history competition. A 400-word essay on the history of the earliest Presbyterian, Associate Reformed Presbyterian, or Cumberland Presbyterian congregation in a particular area is to to be the subject of the contest. The manuscript should be completed by November 1. The first prize will be $100, the second $75.00 and the third $50.00. Details may be obtained by writing to the foundation at Montreat, 28757. Each person entering the contest will receive, "before the beginning of 1976 if nothing happens," a dye transfer print, suitable for framing, by the Presbyterian craftsman and artist, Edward L. DuPuy of Black Mountain.

Lincoln County Historical Association

The association met July 2 in the Lincolnton City Hall, with Frank Hull Crowell presiding. Mr. Crowell talked on the Battle of Kings Mountain after which comments were made by Edward H. Smith, author of an article on the subject. Plans are being made to place markers on the unmarked graves of men who fell in that battle.

Littleton College Memorial Association

Members of the association met at North Carolina Wesleyan College at Rocky Mount on July 12. Mrs. Nina McCall Ruffner is president of the group. Bookshelves honoring Mrs. Blanche Hardee Rives of Enfield, a Littleton College alumna, were presented to the library at North Carolina Wesleyan; and Mrs. Fannie Weston Drury of Norfolk presented several antiques to the college.

Mecklenburg Historical Association

At the annual dinner of the association held on May 20 Congressman James G. Martin spoke, taking as his topic "The Essence of Independence." The address was included in the *Congressional Record* for May 21. The dinner was attended by 265 people. At that time the association presented a check for $1,000 for the Latta Place. Since then $750 from the sale of the bicentennial coin was presented. On June 28 the association sponsored a tour of five old homes, all on the National Register, and Philanthropic and Eumenean halls at Davidson College. A little over $1,500 was realized from this tour, and proceeds will be used for furnishing the Latta Place. Another project to aid in the Latta Place furnishings is the sale of stationery with sketches of six National Register homes in Charlotte and Mecklenburg County.

Montgomery County Historical Society

The regular meeting was held on April 28 at the Eldorado Community Center. Miss Elizabeth Kirk presented the program based on "Ghost Stories of the Uwharries."

Moravian Music Foundation

"The Psalm of Joy," the music of the first Fourth of July celebration at Salem, 1783, is being published in a performing edition by Boosey and Hawkes, Inc. This is a twenty-six minute, cantata-like piece which was com-

piled by Johann F. Peter, music director in Salem from 1780 to 1790. Inquiries should be sent to Boosey and Hawkes, Inc., P.O. Box 130, Oceanside, New York, 11572. The two anthems featured at the 1974 Moravian Music Festival, "Harken, Stay Close to Him" and "Praise and Laud and Honor" have been published by Carl Fischer, Inc., 62 Cooper Square, New York, New York, 10003. Copies of these two works are 40 cents each. The Moravian Music Foundation will issue a recording of the "Psalm of Joy" this fall.

Murfreesboro Historical Association

A tour of the Historic District in Murfreesboro is planned for September 22-28. Members of all historical organizations in North Carolina are invited to participate. For further information, contact Carol S. Brown, 804 East High Street, Murfreesboro, 27855.

Museum of the Albemarle

On July 8 Dr. J. Edwin Hendricks went to Elizabeth City to serve as visiting director of the museum for several weeks. While there he assisted the museum in planning for bicentennial activities. Dr. Hendricks is a member of the faculty of Wake Forest University and is active in a number of historically related activities.

Nash County Historical Association

The association's tour of old houses was held on May 18. Open for inspection were the Viverette House, the Dallas Carter House, the Marmaduke Ricks House, Sylvester Brantley House, the Bissette House at Old Stanhope, and the Lovette Brantley (Cone) House.

New Bern Historical Society

The society met May 16 to hear a talk given by Dr. Robert E. Stipe, then director of the Division of Archives and History and a nationally recognized leader in historic preservation activities. Officers installed include: Joe Freemon, president; Mrs. Clarence Beasley, first vice-president; Mrs. Mark Dunn, second vice-president; Miss Janet Latham, secretary; and Robert Ipock, treasurer. Past president of the society is Dr. Charles Banks.

North Carolina Presbyterian Historical Society

An award given by the society went to the Waldensian Presbyterian Church in Valdese in recognition of the church's historical collection. The collection, on the history of Waldenses, is housed in the Waldensian Museum, which opened in July of last year. This is the first time a church has received this award, other awards having been made to individuals. The award was presented to the Rev. Paul Selker, pastor of the church.

North Carolina Society of County and Local Historians

The Malcolm Blue Historical Society was host to the North Carolina Society of County and Local Historians on May 25. A chartered bus tour of historic sites in Moore County included visits to the House in the Horseshoe, the Bellevue School on the administration grounds of the Moore County

School, Boyd Room and art displays at the Southern Pines Library, the Boyd House, and the Village Chapel in Pinehurst. The tour began at Old Bethesda Church where M. B. Pleasants related the history of the church. The tour concluded at the Malcolm Blue House, where refreshments were served by members of the society. Mrs. Grant Clayton is president of the Malcolm Blue Historical Society, and Claude H. Moore is president of the Society of County and Local Historians.

Old Salem

The twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of Old Salem was observed on May 26. Business was held to the minimum so that time could be devoted to seeing what had been done since 1950 and in looking at plans for the future. Mrs. Gordon Hanes and James A. Gray headed a special committee to work out plans for the program. Charles B. Wade, Jr., trustee of Old Salem and vice-president of R. J. Reynolds Industries, Inc., served as master of ceremonies. Frank L. Horton, director of MESDA, reminisced about the early days of Old Salem. Dr. Dale H. Gramley, executive director of the Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation, represented the Chamber of Commerce in explaining what Old Salem had meant to the community. A Moravian band greeted those attending the meeting, and souvenir programs were distributed.

Pasquotank Historical Society

A genealogical workshop was held by the society on May 27. Wills, deeds, cemetery records, Bible records, family charts, and other materials were made available; and a copying machine was installed for the use of participants. E. O. "Jack" Baum, president, has announced that volume 3 of the Pasquotank yearbook contains wills, biographies, and other historical matter relating to the Pasquotank area. Copies, $10.00 each, are available by writing to the society, P.O. Box 523, Elizabeth City, 27909.

Pitt County Historical Society

Members of the society met at the Greenville Golf and Country Club on June 19 for a dinner meeting. The group's president, Dr. Ralph Hardee Rives, spoke on "Eastern North Carolina in the Eighteenth Century."

Railroad House Historical Association

The board of directors of the association met May 12. A report was given on planting flowers on the Railroad House grounds, on improvements made at the old Seaboard passenger station, and on the association's financial situation.

Rutherford County Historical Society

John Ellington, museum administrator with the Division of Archives and History, discussed the establishment of a museum at the Old Rutherford County Jail when the society held its May 13 meeting. The session was held at the St. Francis Parish House in Rutherfordton.

Surry County Historical Society

William Franklin Carter, Jr., a former mayor of Mt. Airy and local history expert, wrote a history of Surry County. It has been compiled by his widow, Carrie Young Carter, and has recently been published as a joint project of the county and city schools and the Surry County Historical Society. The book has been distributed to schools and libraries, and the society hopes to have copies available for purchase at a later date.

The Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation recently granted $15,000 to the society to assist in the restoration of the Bernard Franklin House. Notification of the award was made by Smith Bagley, president of the foundation. Chairman of the restoration committee for the Franklin House project is Stan Rogge of Mt. Airy.

Thomasville Historical Society

The reactivated society recently learned that the old depot of the Southern Railway will not be torn down prior to January 1. The society has conducted a campaign to preserve and restore the old station which will require $50,000; and a fund-raising campaign has been undertaken by members of the historical organization.

Union County Historical Society

The society met May 13 at the Rolling Hills Country Club. Hector MacLean, a former state senator from Robeson County who is chairman of the North Carolina American Revolution Bicentennial Committee, was the speaker.

Wake County Historical Society

Officers elected at the June 30 meeting of the society are: Hardy D. Berry, president; Grady Carroll, first vice-president; J. C. Knowles, second vice-president; Mrs. Kenneth T. Knight, treasurer; Mrs. Henri Dawkins, recording secretary; Mrs. Godfrey Cheshire, corresponding secretary; and Bourke Bilisoly, Mrs. J. Allen Adams, and Dr. Murray Downs, directors. Mrs. Charles H. Silver is immediate past president. Mrs. Kay Holoman spoke on Wake County's plans for observance of the bicentennial. The society again sponsored a July 4 walking tour of the Capitol Square area, conducted as usual by Dr. Thornton W. Mitchell.

Waxhaws Historical and Drama Association

The association presented in June the outdoor drama, *Listen and Remember.* This production was staged in the amphitheater of the Wisackyola Park. The drama, written by Dare Harry Steele with original music by Elinor Niven McLaughlin, traced the history of the pioneers of the Old Waxhaws settlement.

Western North Carolina Historical Association

Members of the association traveled to Wilkesboro for a joint meeting with the Wilkes County Historical Society on July 26. Members participated in a short walking tour of Wilkesboro, stopping to see the Old Jail, Tory

Oak, and several other places of historical interest. A picnic lunch and joint program were held with members of the Wilkes County group, whose president is Mr. J. Jay Anderson. Following a picnic lunch, Mr. Rip Collins spoke on demobilization of the army of Overmountain Men in the Battle of Kings Mountain. On the return trip to Buncombe County, members of the association saw several sites of interest, including Swan Ponds, Magnolia Plantation House, Fort Defiance, and Fairfield.

The association is encouraged by success in efforts to raise funds for the restoration of the Smith-McDowell House, which will be its heritage center. Asheville and Buncombe County officials each agreed to provide $8,333 on the condition that a state appropriation of $25,000 be received. The state money was appropriated for payment in July, 1976, but it has to be matched dollar for dollar. Members of the association are still seeking additional funds to complete the fund-raising campaign.

Calendar of Scheduled Events

September 13-21, "Planning for Historic Preservation," seminar at Institute of Government, Chapel Hill

September 22, Miss Lavina Franck, "First Ladies and Their Clothing Influences," Greensboro Historical Museum, 7:30

September 22-28, Tour of historic district, Murfreesboro; contact Carol S. Brown, 804 East High Street, Murfreesboro, 27855, for information

September, "Garbo Greats," Museum of History's "Month of Sundays" each Sunday at 3:00

September 25, North Carolina Bicentennial Symposium, "The Experience of Revolution in North Carolina and the South"; Session I, "Origins of the Revolution in the South," University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, with sessions at 2:00, 3:00, and 8:00; speakers include Professors Robert M. Weir of the University of South Carolina, Pauline Maier of the University of Massachusetts, and Jack P. Greene of Johns Hopkins University.

October 2, Session II of Bicentennial Symposium, "The War for American Independence: The Revolutionary Character of War in the South," at North Carolina State University, Raleigh, with sessions at 10:00, 2:00, and 8:00; speakers include Professors Marvin L. Michael Kay of the University of Toledo, Clyde Ferguson of Kansas State University, and John Shy of the University of Michigan.

October 6, George Smith, "Around the World in Eighty Minutes," Greensboro Historical Museum, 7:30

October 9, Session III of Bicentennial Symposium, "The Revolutionary Impact of War in the South: Ideals and Realities," at Duke University, Durham, with sessions at 3:15, 4:15, and 8:00; speakers include Professors Mary Beth Norton of Cornell University, Gerald Mullin of California State University, and Peter Wood of Duke University.

October 20, Marion Bates, "Making Cornhusk Decorations: A Workshop," Greensboro Historical Museum, 9:00 A.M. Registration fee, $1.00

November 4-8, Culture Week, Sheraton Crabtree Motor Inn, Raleigh

Questions from the Mail

Q. I am concerned about the condition of the covered bridge near Asheboro. Is the state doing anything to preserve this historic structure?

A. Unfortunately, this bridge is privately owned and the state has no jurisdiction over its upkeep and repair. The Bunker Hill Covered Bridge in Catawba County is the only covered bridge in the state which receives state aid; the Catawba bridge is administered by the county historical association under a long-term lease, and a small annual appropriation is used for upkeep. Two covered bridges in Randolph County have been nominated to the National Register of Historic Places, but these are also in private ownership. A listing on the National Register does not provide protection against deterioration and vandalism.

Q. Our family cemetery contains some very old graves. How can we get this cemetery on the National Register of Historic Places?

A. It is very seldom that graveyards meet the criteria of the National Register. These criteria are strict, and even such an important graveyard as that in which Daniel Boone's parents are buried was turned down by the register.

Q. I have written an article on a North Carolina topic, and I think it would be of interest to readers of the *North Carolina Historical Review.* Would you consider it?

A. Articles may be submitted to the Historical Publications Section. They are referred to members of the Advisory Editorial Committee who appraise them and judge their suitability for publication. The section will send free upon request footnote sample sheets to be used by authors who are writing articles.

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Museum of History Features "Collectibles"

"Collectibles" is the North Carolina Museum of History's most recent changing exhibit on the second floor of the Archives and History-State Library Building. Some of the hundreds of things that people have collected

On display in the exhibit of collectibles is a doll house owned by Mrs. Bianca L. Page of Winston-Salem. Built by her father around the turn of the century, the house is wired and is furnished with miniature items, all properly proportioned. Mrs. Page has added to the furnishings through the years. (Photographs by Division of Archives and History unless otherwise noted.)

and treasured are included in this exhibit. The variety ranges from an R. S. Prussia berry set and delicate Meissen china to Depression glass, Kewpie and Bye-Lo dolls, trains, clay marbles, money, musical instruments, gramophones, silver spurs, weapons, helmets, and sad irons.

Day Furniture to be Featured in Museum

The North Carolina Museum of History is designing an exhibit of Thomas Day furniture which will be entitled "Thomas Day, Cabinetmaker." Opening to the public on November 9, the exhibit will contain the museum's recently acquired eighteen-piece collection of Day furniture. The accompanying catalog, which will go on sale the day of the opening, will contain photographs of the museum's collection plus pieces from private collections and a biographical sketch of the craftsman.

The pictured chest with mirror, made by Tom Day, is one of the items to be displayed in the exhibit opening November 9 in the Museum of History.

Day, who lived and worked on the main street of Milton in Caswell County from the 1820s until about 1861, was one of the state's largest furniture makers during the 1850s. He sold furniture to retail customers, wholesaled it to merchants, and custom made it for individuals; he also did interior trim and made coffins. Gov. David S. Reid placed large orders with Day in the 1850s, and the debating societies at the University of North Carolina contracted with him to finish the interiors of their debating halls and libraries.

Day and the town of Milton cooperated to their mutual advantage; he was an integral part of Milton's growth. When he wanted to marry a Virginia woman in 1829 but was hampered by a state law prohibiting immigration of free blacks into North Carolina, the citizens of the town petitioned the General Assembly to waive the law so as to permit the Virginia woman to go to Milton. Attorney General Romulus Saunders supported the petition by a personal testimonial, and in 1830 the legislature passed the necessary act which permitted Aquilla Wilson Day to live in North Carolina.

Day had to sell his shop in 1858 to settle debts. Little else is known about him after that time, but tradition says he continued to work until 1861 when he died and was supposedly buried in an unmarked grave a few miles outside

Milton. Thomas Day, Jr., one of his three children who attended school in Massachusetts, bought his father's mortgage in 1859 and handled the business for about twelve years; it is thought that he then sold it and moved to Seattle, Washington.

Tise Is Named Archives and History Director

Mrs. Grace J. Rohrer, secretary of the Department of Cultural Resources, announced on September 24 the appointment of Dr. Larry E. Tise as director of the Division of Archives and History. Dr. Tise, who was named assistant director September 1, 1974, has been acting director since the resignation of Dr. Robert E. Stipe early in the summer.

In making the announcement, Mrs. Rohrer said, "Dr. Tise has shown that he has the maturity and necessary intellectual and academic qualifications required of this position. I have been very pleased with the progress he has made as Acting Director in the development of the programs and the stability and aliveness he has brought to the Division."

The new director, a native of Winston-Salem, did his undergraduate work at Duke University and later received a master of divinity degree from the same institution; he earned his Ph.D. at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Dr. Tise, an ordained Methodist minister, formerly worked as an editor with Blair Publishing Company; and he later joined the staff of the North Carolina American Revolution Bicentennial Committee.

Sales Shop Is Opened

A new and expanded North Carolina Museum of History sales shop opened for business in the east lobby of the Archives and History-State Library Building on August 1. The variety of souvenirs relating to North Carolina now available has been greatly increased. A new design has been added to the popular Stuart Nye capitol copper jewelry: a sterling silver bracelet with a copper dogwood blossom. North Carolina emblems can be found on

Gail Jordan, left, and Barbara Lee are pictured in the new sales room in the Archives and History-State Library Building. Souvenir items and publications are on sale to the public.

everything from Sheaffer pen and pencil sets to paperweights, bicentennial coins, bridge decks, jewelry, tiles, and needlepoint kits. North Carolina crafts and historical publications are also being sold. Members of the RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program) will help staff the shop during business hours. Shop hours are: Monday-Friday, 10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.; Saturday-Sunday, 2:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.

New Records Center Completed

On September 18, 1975, keys to the new State Records Center were delivered to Secretary of Cultural Resources Grace J. Rohrer, signaling completion of the major construction work on the building. Originally scheduled to be completed November 1, work was finished about six weeks early. Although shelving of the basement area and reinstallation of the racks in the painting storage area were not entirely completed when the state assumed responsibility for the building, all major items of work had been done. The staff of the State Records Branch moved into the office area on the first floor on October 6, and movement of records from the present records center began in mid-October. The move from the existing building will require several months.

Macon Smith, representing F. Carter Williams, Architect, presents keys to the new building to Secretary of Cultural Resources Grace J. Rohrer. Shown, left to right, are Mr. Smith holding keys; Dr. Thornton W. Mitchell, chief of the Archives and Records Section, which will occupy the building; Graham Farrell, construction superintendent for Davidson and Jones, contractors; and Secretary Rohrer.

Account Book Is Presented to Archives

Father Thomas Hadden, rector of the Sacred Heart Cathedral in Raleigh, with the concurrence of Bishop F. Joseph Gossman of the Raleigh Diocese, is shown presenting to Paul Hoffman for the State Archives an intriguing account book from the Revolutionary period. The volume had been stored over the years among the parish registers of births, deaths, and marriages.

Entitled "Ledger B," the account book had been kept by the Caswell and Fonville Company of Kinston in 1783 and 1784. The right-hand pages in the book indicate that Caswell's estate was being settled in 1786-1788. It is possible to trace the way in which the account book might have been brought to Raleigh, but how it came to be among the records of the cathedral is a mystery.

Father Thomas Hadden, left, hands the Caswell account book to Paul Hoffman, head of the Archives Branch of the Archives and Records Section.

The men who owned the account book were Richard Caswell, Jr., son of the first governor of the state of North Carolina, and John Fonville, Jr., son of a Kinston merchant, who became partners in mid-1783 when they were in their early twenties. Fonville died on Christmas day, 1783, leaving his interest in the business to his wife Anna, the sister of Caswell, Jr. In December, 1784, Caswell voyaged from New Bern to Charleston to purchase a cargo of goods; his ship, sailing from Charleston two days after Christmas, was never heard of again.

A first cousin of Caswell, William White, who had managed Caswell and Fonville Co. for the Caswell brother and sister after Fonville's death, was appointed to manage the estate of Richard Caswell. He also married the sister, Anna Caswell Fonville, and continued to operate the store until 1798 when he was elected secretary of state. The William Whites sold the business in Kinston and moved to Raleigh where they built a house that is still standing.

One can speculate that perhaps "Ledger B" was brought to Raleigh in 1798 by the William Whites, but why it was among the registers at the cathedral is not known by either Father Hadden or the Archives. In any event the account book is interesting not only because of its romantic-tragic association during the Revolutionary period, but also because it supplies additional documentation of names for a county (Dobbs, later Lenoir) that suffered destruction of public records in two courthouse fires in the last quarter of the nineteenth century.

Governor Makes Appointments to New Board

Gov. James E. Holshouser, Jr., has named State Archivist Thornton W. Mitchell as state historical records coordinator. In this position Dr. Mitchell

will help to determine what assistance the National Historical Publications and Records Commission can be to archival and records institutions in North Carolina.

The responsibilities of the former National Historical Publications Commission were broadened by legislation approved by President Ford last December, and, under regulations being considered by the restructured commission, the governor of each state has been asked to name a state historical records coordinator and a State Historical Records Advisory Board. Members of the North Carolina Historical Commission have been named members of the new board as have Donald E. Lennon of East Carolina University and John R. Woodard, Jr., of Wake Forest University.

Records Added in State Archives

During the months of June through August, the Archives Branch accessioned eighty-seven items. The Local Records Branch transferred significant groups of original records from Henderson (231 boxes) and Johnston (179 boxes) counties as well as original records from Currituck (27 boxes), Greene (3 boxes), Richmond (10 boxes), and Surry (1 item) counties. Security microfilm from Alexander, Anson, Halifax, Robeson, and Sampson county offices and churches was also transferred along with security microfilm of Enfield, Halifax, Lilesville, Roanoke Rapids, Scotland Neck, and Wadesboro municipal records.

State agency records included records of the Division of Archives and History, Historic Sites Section (2 cubic feet); the 1972 general correspondence of Gov. Robert W. Scott (132 boxes); and city reports of the Tax Research Division of the Department of Revenue (4 reels microfilm).

New private collections accessioned during the period were the Black Mountain College Miscellaneous Collection, the Gertrude S. Carraway Papers, the Refford Cate Collection (microfilm), the Daniel Dickson Paper, the Richard Herring Account Book (microfilm), the T. R. Jackson Collection, the Jeff D. Johnson III Collection (microfilm), the Alfred A. Kent Collection, the James J. Sledge Day Book (microfilm), the Stanley South manuscript entitled "Discovery in Wachovia," the Alexander H. Stephens Paper, and an unidentified Merchants Journal of Surry County. Additions were made to the Besson-Linehan Papers, the May Thompson Evans Papers, and the McKay-Cromartie Family Papers.

Organization records deposited in the Archives included records of Alpha Kappa Alpha, the American Institute of Architects, the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Mecklenburg County Committee of the North Carolina Society of Colonial Dames (microfilm), the North American Association of Historic Sites Officials, the North Carolina Federation of Music Clubs, the Raleigh Little Theater, and the Sir Walter Cabinet.

Additions to the Audiovisual Collection included three photograph collections: the John Lewis Brown Photograph Collection, the Bruce Roberts Photograph Collection, and the Fannie Wilson Photograph Collection, as well as six color negatives, six reels of cassette tape, one reel of magnetic tape, and ten reels of motion picture film.

Other accessions included eighteen miscellaneous genealogies and Bible records; three reels of microfilmed federal records; and additions to the Local History Collection for Johnston, Pamlico, and Stokes counties.

Personnel in the Local Records Branch have recently completed ap-

praising, arranging, describing, and transferring to the State Archives for public use over 500 Fibredex boxes of unbound records from Clay, Currituck, Greene, Henderson, Johnston, Richmond, and Wake counties. Included are bonds, civil and criminal actions, land records, estates records, marriage records (bonds), wills, and numerous miscellaneous records. In addition, a few miscellaneous volumes from Surry County were also transferred.

In the phase of the local records program concerned with microfilming permanently valuable records in the counties, the records of Beaufort, Harnett, Lee, Moore, and Washington counties were completed. Microfilming is currently under way in Tyrrell and Nash counties.

Since the last report (in April), 4,368 reels of security microfilm have been worked into proper arrangement, spliced, perforated, labeled, indexed, and filed in the microfilm security vault. So far this year, over 6,500 reels have been worked and placed into the vault.

Tar Heel Junior Historian Association Offers Opportunities

The celebration of the American Revolution Bicentennial can have lasting effects through the involvement of young North Carolinians in the Tar Heel Junior Historian Association. The association is an educational extension service of the North Carolina Museum of History. The program is directed to the junior high school level; club membership is free as is the quarterly publication, *Tar Heel Junior Historian*, which goes to all members. Junior historians write articles and draw illustrations for the magazine; they make models and write research papers for the annual spring contest. They record visual history, restore historic buildings, and even clean up cemeteries. The program, cosponsored by the Departments of Public Instruction and Cultural Resources, has the endorsement of the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association. Adult advisers are needed to make the Tar Heel Junior Historian Association's program available to more young people. Here is an opportunity for local historical associations or individual members. For information write: Tar Heel Junior Historian Association, 109 East Jones Street, Raleigh, 27611.

Bicentennial Sponsors Symposium

The North Carolina American Revolution Bicentennial Committee, in cooperation with the Institute of Early American History and Culture in Williamsburg, sponsored a symposium entitled "The Experience of Revolution in North Carolina and the South." Held in three sessions at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, North Carolina State University, and Duke University on September 25, October 2, and October 9, respectively, the symposium featured outstanding historians of the American Revolution.

Professor Don Higginbotham of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, teaching this year at West Point and noted for his work on the military aspects of the Revolution, served as moderator of the first session, "Origins of the Revolution in the South." Speakers were Professor Robert M. Weir, University of South Carolina, whose topic was "Rebelliousness"; Professor Pauline Maier of the University of Massachusetts, "The First Generation of Revolutionary Leaders in the South"; and Professor Jack P. Greene of Johns Hopkins, "*Virtus et Libertas:* Political Culture, Social Change, and the Origins of the American Revolution in Virginia."

Professor Bernard Wishy, head of the Department of History at North Carolina State University, moderated the second session, "The War for American Independence: The Revolutionary Character of War in the South." Speakers were Professor Marvin L. Michael Kay of the University of Toledo, who took as his topic, "Class, Mobility, and Conflict in North Carolina on the Eve of the Revolution"; Professor Clyde Ferguson of Kansas State University, "Carolina Partisan-Militia in Action, 1779-1782: Traditional Functions in a Revolutionary Situation"; and Professor John Shy of the University of Michigan, "British Strategy for Pacifying the Southern Colonies, 1778-1781."

Professor Sydney Nathans of Duke University served as moderator of the third session, "The Revolutionary Impact of War in the South: Ideals and Realities." Speakers were Professor Mary Beth Norton of Cornell University, " 'What an Alarming Crisis is This': Southern Women and the American Revolution"; Professor Gerald Mullin of California State University, "British West Indian and American Slaves during an Era of Revolution, 1763-1807"; and Professor Peter Wood of Duke University, "Republicanism and the Slave Society."

Preservation Course Held at Chapel Hill

An intensive short course, "Planning for the Preservation of Historical Buildings, Sites, Districts, and Areas," was held at the Institute of Government in Chapel Hill September 13-21. Jointly sponsored by the institute and the Division of Archives and History, the course was under the direction of Dr. Robert E. Stipe; it was funded in part by a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts. Greer Suttlemyre of the Division of Archives and History worked with Dr. Stipe.

Enrollment was limited to thirty, and approximately twenty teachers for the course came from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; the Division of Archives and History; the National Trust for Historic Preservation; professional staffs of a number of federal, state, and local planning and historical agencies; and preservation consultants. Two British architect/planners also participated. The weekend of September 19-21 was spent in Winston-Salem where participants studied preservation problems and programs at Old Salem, toured the public buildings there, had dinner at the Salem Tavern, visited the Museum of Southern Decorative Arts, and concluded their program at Reynolda House, former home of R. J. Reynolds.

The course was divided into five main topics: "A Planning Setting for Historic Preservation"; "Historic Buildings, Sites and Areas: Methods and Techniques of Identification and Evaluation"; "Developing Plans for the Historic Area: Methods and Approaches"; "Preservation Action: Legal, Administrative, Financial, and Political Aspects"; and "British and European Approaches to Historic Preservation."

Preservation Society to Establish Goals

The president of the Historic Preservation Society of North Carolina, Dr. Banks C. Talley, Jr., last spring appointed a committee to investigate and evaluate all long-range plans of the society. Headed by Thomas A. Gray of Old Salem, the committee was made up of officers and board members plus a large number of interested citizens from all parts of North Carolina. Mr.

Leopold Adler II, prominent preservationist from Savannah, Georgia, served as consultant to the Goals and Programs Study Committee. The committee met September 11 in the Archives and History-State Library Building in Raleigh.

In charting the future goals and programs for the society, special subcommittees functioned in three areas: education and services; the role of the society; and finances, revolving fund, endowment, and fund raising. Results of the work of the committee will be reported to the membership at the annual meeting on November 6.

New Pamphlet Available

The Historical Publications Section announces publication of another Archives and History pamphlet: *North Carolina's Role in the Spanish-American War,* by Joseph F. Steelman. Dr. Steelman, professor of history at East Carolina University, has written an interesting account of the 1898 war. The booklet is illustrated with numerous contemporary photographs and newspaper excerpts. Priced at $1.00, the publication is available from the Historical Publications Section of the Division of Archives and History.

Back Issues of NCHR Wanted

The response to the request for back issues of a recent issue of the *North Carolina Historical Review* was so favorable that another call is being issued. Persons having Summer, 1974; Spring, 1970; or Winter, 1970, issues which they do not wish to keep are invited to return them to the Historical Publications Section of the Division of Archives and History. In return each donor will receive a complimentary copy of the new pamphlet, *North Carolina's Role in the Spanish-American War,* by Joseph F. Steelman.

Tryon Palace Plans Bicentennial Event

The eighth annual Tryon Palace Symposium, scheduled for next March 21-23, will have a bicentennial theme. The event will feature American furniture, folk art, textiles, pottery, glass, pewter, and silver as has been done in earlier symposia; but the 1976 program will also emphasize influences of the Revolution on dress styles and music. Trends resulting from deteriorating relationships with England and closer ties with France will also be considered.

Registration for the event will be limited to 150 persons. Further details will be announced at a later date.

Archives and History Staff Activities Reported

Dr. Thornton W. Mitchell attended a meeting of the Board of Regents, Institute of Certified Records Managers, and the annual meeting of the Association of Records Managers and Administrators (ARMA) in Toronto, Canada, October 11-15. Dr. Mitchell also spoke to the annual meeting of the Fellows of the American Society of Genealogists held in Raleigh on October 17 and 18. Mr. Frank Gatton, head of the Local Records Branch, and Mr. Paul Hoffman, head of the Archives Branch, attended the annual meeting of the Society of American Archivists in Philadelphia, September 30-October 3. Mr. Hoffman and Mr. J. R. Lankford attended the Oral History Colloquium in Asheville on October 22-26, and Mr. Gatton spoke at the

Central Texas Genealogical Society's annual workshop in Waco, Texas, on September 6.

Dr. Larry E. Tise, director of the Division of Archives and History, and Mr. Samuel P. Townsend of the Historic Sites Section attended the meeting of the American Association for State and Local History at Mackinac Island, Michigan, September 13-20. John W. Kinney, Jr., Frederick A. Masseno, Edward F. Turberg, A. L. Honeycutt, Jr., and Margaret Stephenson attended the meeting of the Association for Preservation Technology in Williamsburg, Virginia, September 24-28. Various members of the staff, including Janet K. Seapker and Kathleen Pepi, spoke at meetings across the state.

Staff changes in the Archives and Records Section include one or more in each branch of the section. In the Archives Branch, Dr. Robert J. Cain assumed duties as archivist II upon his return from London where he had engaged in research for the Colonial Records Project since 1969; and David W. Wright was appointed security officer I, effective September 15. Vickie L. Debnam, a temporary employee for the past year in the Microfilm Lab Unit of the Technical Services Branch, was assigned permanent status as a clerk typist II on September 1. Eunice Coe Butler was employed in the Documents Restoration Laboratory as a records clerk III, also on September 1. In the State Records Branch, the following personnel actions occurred: Don R. Flowers was promoted from records technician to records management analyst I on September 1; Joe Kelly Battle was appointed records clerk IV in the State Records Center Unit, August 1; Charles D. Bailey was appointed clerk I in the State Records Center Unit on September 1 replacing Bobby L. Tomlinson who was promoted to records clerk IV as of September 12; Mrs. Denise Collier Stanly was named clerk-stenographer III, September 1; and Mrs. Frances Ashford, former employee with the State Records Branch and with the Museum of History, returned to the Division of Archives and History September 1 in the position of records management analyst I. Mrs. Eloise N. Jackson, a member of the staff of the Museums Section for a number of months, joined the staff of the Local Records Branch on August 1 in the position of records clerk III.

Mr. Robert G. Anthony, Jr., a 1975 graduate of Wake Forest University, joined the staff of the Historical Publications Section as proofreader II on August 1; and Mrs. Emily Sue Longest began work as a part-time clerk-typist III with the Civil War Roster Branch on October 1. Mrs. Ruth C. Langston, who retired June 30, was engaged to work as an indexer on a part-time basis for several months.

In the Survey and Planning Branch of the Historic Sites Section, H. McKelden Smith and Diane T. Rose were placed under contract. Joe Bargamian resigned as audiovisual technician in the Audiovisual Media Services Branch of the Museum Section in June and was replaced by Joseph Virgil Henderson III in July. The position vacated by Eloise Jackson upon her promotion to the Local Records Branch of the Archives and Records Section was filled by Nancy Thorne, who is working on a part-time basis in the Museum Section's Education Branch.

Know of Black-Related Historic Sites?

The Division of Archives and History is doing an inventory of North Carolina properties important to black history and culture for possible nomina-

tion to the National Register of Historic Places. Information is sought on schools, churches, Masonic lodges, businesses, homes, and communities. In addition, biographical data are needed on significant persons, including craftsmen and builders.

Anyone having information is asked to contact D. T. Rose, Survey and Planning Branch, Division of Archives and History.

National Register List Expands

Pictured on this and the next page are several additions to the National Register of Historic Places. Above, left, is the Sedberry-Holmes House, 232 Person Street, Fayetteville, Cumberland County; right, Stewart-Hawley-Malloy House, E. Laurinburg vicinity, Scotland County.

Left, Brown Marsh Presbyterian Church, Clarkton vicinity, Bladen County; right, Monreath, Ingleside vicinity, Franklin County.

Two views of the Archibald H. Davis Plantation (Cypress Hall), Justice vicinity, Franklin County.

Left, Dr. J. H. Harris House, 312 E. Mason Street, Franklinton, Franklin County; right, Woodleaf (Massenburg) Plantation, Louisburg vicinity, Franklin County.

Two views of the interior of the Munday House in Catawba County show, left, the painted medalion in the parlor; right, the parlor mantel.

Left, Smith-McDowell House, Asheville, Buncombe County; right, Walker's Inn, Andrews, Cherokee County.

North Carolina Mutual Opens Heritage Room

Officials of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company recently announced plans to open its NCM Heritage Room about November 1. The Heritage Room is being opened this year as part of the bicentennial observance. Featured will be outstanding blacks in the history of the country and the life insurance company, the nation's largest black-owned insurance firm. Exhibits in the Heritage Room will be open to the public during regular office hours; a ground-floor exhibit may be seen at any time.

Obituaries

Howard A. Jemison of Winston-Salem, former member of the General

Assembly, died September 5. He was the father of Secretary of Cultural Resources Grace J. Rohrer.

Miss Mary Virginia Horne of Wadesboro died October 4. Miss Horne, a former state regent of the North Carolina Society of Daughters of the American Revolution, was for many years vice-chairman of the Tryon Palace Commission. She also served as chairman of the commission's acquisition committee.

Colleges and Universities

Catawba College

Dr. C. Gregg Singer's book, *The Unholy Alliance,* was published in June by Arlington House.

Chowan College

The trustees of the college recently authorized the naming of the library's collection of archival materials as the "McDowell Room of Archives and Antiquities" in honor of William Herbert and Emily Sawyer Biggs McDowell of Scotland Neck. They are members of a family with a long interest in the college.

Duke University

Joining the faculty of the Department of History this fall were Drs. Peter H. Wood, associate professor in the field of colonial American history; Joseph di Corcia, assistant professor in the field of the Old Regime and French Revolution; and Alan Stone, assistant professor in Japanese history. Dr. John Alden will retire after a leave during this fall semester, and Professor Frances Acomb retired at the end of the spring semester. Dr. Joel Colton is on the second year of leave as director of humanities of the Rockefeller Foundation in New York. Dr. Martin Miller is also on leave this academic year.

Recent books by members of the Duke faculty include Frances Acomb's *Mallet Du Pan (1749-1800): A Career in Political Journalism,* Duke University Press; Robert F. Durden's *The Dukes of Durham, 1865-1929,* also Duke University Press; John Tate Lanning's *Pedro de la Torre, Doctor to Conquerors,* Louisiana State University Press; John and Anne F. Scott with Andrew M. Scott, UNC-CH, *One Half the People: The Fight for Woman Suffrage,* published by Lippincott. John Cell's edited volume, *By Kenya Possessed: The Correspondence of J. H. Oldham and Dr. Norman Leys, 1918-1926,* has been accepted for publication by the University of Chicago Press; John S. Curtiss has completed the first volume of his book, *Russia's Crimean War*; the Duke University Press has accepted for publication Calvin Davis's book, *American Diplomacy and the Second Hague Peace Conference*; a monograph by Gerald W. Hartwig, *The Art of Survival in East Africa: The Kerebe and Long-Distance Trade, 1800-1895,* was published in early summer; and *Peter Kropotkin and the Coming of the Social Revolution,* by Martin Miller, has been accepted for publication by the University of Chicago Press. Members of the faculty have also published a number of articles and appeared on the programs of several professional organizations.

East Carolina University

Dr. Eugene Goll is serving as assistant professor this year during the absence of Dr. Betty C. Congleton, who is on leave while she completes research on the topic, "Appalachia: Regional Identity—the Role of Edward O. Guerrant." Dr. Henry Ferrell, associate professor, was reelected chairman of the Faculty Assembly at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill on September 1. Dr. William N. Still, associate professor, was elected president of the Association of Historians of Eastern North Carolina for the year 1975-1976. Mr. Donald R. Lennon, director of the East Carolina Manuscript Collection, was elected to membership in the Historical Society of North Carolina at its spring meeting last April.

Meredith College

Dr. Frank L. Grubbs, Jr., read a paper, "Gompers, the AF of L and Militarism," at the American Historical Association in Berkeley, California, on August 21. Dr. Sarah M. Lemmon, on August 1, was named director of the Program for Raising the Sights of Women.

Methodist College

In 1973 a group of alumnae of the former Methodist-related college known as Carolina College voted to "adopt" Methodist College as their alma mater since their own school, located in Maxton between 1912 and 1926, was no longer in existence. The alumnae, headed by Mrs. Margaret Andrews of Raleigh, recently gave $2,000 toward a scholarship at Methodist College.

North Carolina School of the Arts

New courses being offered in the field of history include "Transdisciplinary Western Civilization" and "Bicentennial: American History and Literature." Miss Elaine Doerschuk joined the staff as part-time instructor in history in September.

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

A brochure titled *North Carolina's Literary Heritage* has been published by the North Carolina Collection. Containing eight panels and ten pictures, the folder describes the history, holdings, and policies of the collection which traces its origins back to 1844 when the Historical Society of the University of North Carolina began collecting North Caroliniana. A free copy will be sent upon receipt of a stamped, self-addressed, legal-size envelope.

Officials of the Department of History and the Graduate History Club conducted their annual orientation session for new graduate students in the North Carolina Collection on August 25. Speakers were Mark Miller, president of the club; Dr. George V. Taylor, department chairman; Dr. Michael McVaugh, director of graduate studies; and Dr. H. G. Jones, curator of the North Carolina Collection.

Dr. Jones spoke at the annual banquet of the Board of Directors of the Historical Foundation of the Presbyterian and Reformed Churches in Montreat on August 12 on the subject of "The Conscience of Presbyterianism." As a member of the council and chairman of the constitution and by-

laws committee, he attended the annual meeting of the American Association for State and Local History in Mackinac Island, Michigan, September 15-19.

University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Recent books of faculty members include K. David Patterson's *The Northern Gabon Coast to 1875* (Oxford, 1975) and Harold Josephson's *James T. Shotwell and the Rise of Internationalism in America.* Dr. Dan L. Morrill was promoted to professor July 1, and on the same date Dr. John E. Wrigley was named acting chairman of the Department of History. Dr. Frank Craven, in the spring of 1976, and Dr. Paul Murphy, spring of 1977, will hold visiting Robert Lee Bailey professorships.

Wake Forest University

Drs. Buck Yearns and John Barrett, the latter from Virginia Military Institute, are beginning work on a documentary history of the Civil War in North Carolina; they will welcome information from readers concerning pertinent documents.

Western Carolina University

Dr. Constance Head's book, *The Emperor Julian,* is scheduled for publication in January under the imprint of Twayne Publishers as one in its World Leader Series. Dr. Head was promoted to professor in July. Also promoted at that time were Dr. Alice Mathews, to associate professor; Dr. Geza Nagy, to professor; and Dr. Gerald Schwartz, to associate professor. Dr. Clifford R. Lovin served as director of the Advanced Institutional Development Program in July.

Wilkes Community College

A statue of one of Wilkes County's Revolutionary heroes, Col. Benjamin Cleaveland, is being constructed as a bicentennial project by students in the sculpture class. A hero of the Battle of Kings Mountain, Cleaveland was noted for his ability as an Indian fighter; he also served in the legislature. The statue, being constructed by artists Noah Boland, Bobby Foster, Ralph Williams, and Dr. Robert Mayer, will be of steel and concrete. Possible sites for the statue are the courthouse yard in Wilkes County or that in Cleveland County; the latter county was named for Ben Cleaveland.

Wilkes Community College students are shown as they work on the statue of Ben Cleaveland. (Photograph courtesy of Wilkes Community College.)

State, County, and Local Groups

Baptist Historical Collection

Recent additions have been made to the Sophie S. Lanneau Papers, the John F. Lanneau Papers, and the Charles B. Deane Papers. New accessions include papers dealing with debates of Zon Hobbe Robinson, a Wake Forest instructor who disappeared mysteriously during World War II; a baptismal certificate for a North Carolina soldier in the John William Jones Collection (Jones was a Civil War chaplain); and a photograph and biographical data of Charles Henry Durham, pastor and denominational leader. The Baptist Collection's recent newsletter announces the "Baptist History Writing Contest," sponsored by the Southern Baptist Convention Historical Commission. Prizes are in categories ranging from $175 to $100. For further details on the contest, which will end April 30, 1976, write to History Writing Contest, Historical Commission, SBC, 127 Ninth Avenue, North, Nashville, Tennessee, 37234.

Beaufort Historical Association

Mrs. David Cloud, president, announced recently that Ed Piver had been named treasurer and Mrs. Iona Mason assistant treasurer; they replaced Mr. Osborne Davis who resigned. On August 3 there was a reenactment of the British invasion of Beaufort, followed by a reception for battle participants and the public. This event was sponsored by the association along with the Carteret Bicentennial Association, the Carteret Historical Research Association, and the Carteret County Chamber of Commerce. The Twenty-third Regiment of Foot, the Royal Welsh Fusileers in America, from Williamsburg, Virginia, and the Sixth North Carolina Line of Continentals from Charlotte participated.

Caldwell County Historical Society

Officers elected at the June 26 meeting are: Randy Hall, president; Mrs. Wylmouth Jenkins, first vice-president; Mrs. Dana Roberts, second vice-president; Miss Louise Tood, treasurer; Mrs. Jim Wood, director; and Mrs. Sherry Miller, director and immediate past president. Dr. E. R. White spoke on the early settlers of Caldwell when the society met July 24 at the Caldwell County Library.

Carteret Historical Research Association

Historic Carteret County, written by members of the association and edited by Mrs. Fred Hill, went on sale in June. Mrs. Monroe Simpson was major researcher. The 140-page limited edition covers the history of Carteret County from 1663 to 1975; numerous illustrations add to the attractiveness of the publication. The organization's president is Miss Emily Loftin.

Caswell County Historical Association

The society has available *Historical Sketches of Country Line Church,* located in Caswell County. Further information may be obtained from W. J. Berry, Primitive Publications, Route 2, Elon College, 27244. Professor William S. Powell, who is writing the history of Caswell County, read parts of his history at the association's August 14 meeting; he expects to complete the manuscript in the fall. M. Q. Plumblee serves as president of the association.

Cleveland County Historical Association

The longtime goal of the association, to have a county museum, was realized during the summer when certain areas in the old courthouse were renovated for the purpose. The renovation of the entire courthouse was a county bicentennial project, and the museum area was given priority. The building, constructed in 1907, replaced an 1845 structure which stood on the same site. In July the Executive Board of the association employed Mrs. Mary Jane Wesson as secretary for the museum; in the absence of a museum director, she will also serve as overall administrator. With an office and a secretary, the association is ready to accept donations for the museum.

East Carolina Chapter, National Railway Historical Association

The chapter sponsored a train trip on August 17. The train was pulled by Southern Railway's steam engine No. 4501. A round trip from Raleigh to Selma, Goldsboro, Kinston, and New Bern and return was arranged.

Edgecombe County Historical Society

The September 3 meeting featured a visit by E. Frank Stephenson, Jr., of Murfreesboro who showed slides with commentary on historical activities in Murfreesboro. The meeting was held at the Calvary Episcopal Parish House in Tarboro.

Halifax County Historical Association

Plans for an outdoor drama were discussed when the society met July 18. Mrs. Rom B. Parker, Jr., presided in her capacity as president of the organization. The drama centers on the Halifax Resolves of April 12, 1776; playwright is Maxville Williams of Enfield; and Ira David Wood of Raleigh, native of Enfield, is to be producer-director. Members of the association elected Mrs. Marvin Carlton of Enfield to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. J. Edward Morrison as secretary. Speaker at the meeting was Mrs. George Randolph of Enfield who spoke on Paul Revere.

Historic Hillsborough Commission

The two-hundredth anniversary of the Third Provincial Congress, which met in Hillsborough August 20-September 10, 1775, was observed in Hillsborough on August 24. A community picnic on the courthouse green was followed by a program with Mrs. R. W. Isley, chairman of the commission, presiding. Mayor Fred Cates introduced Congressman L. H. Fountain who gave brief remarks. The main speaker, Dr. Blackwell P. Robinson, was introduced by Archives and History Director Larry E. Tise; his topic was "Another Step Toward Freedom: The Third Provincial Congress in Hillsborough." Dr. Robinson is professor of history at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. A dramatic scene, "The Delegates Sign the Test Oath," was offered just preceding the main address.

Historic Hope Foundation

Historic Hope and the Friends of Hope sponsored a benefit candlelight champagne buffet followed by a musicale with the string quartet of the North Carolina Symphony on September 12. Proceeds of the $50-per-person affair were earmarked for the William King House, recently acquired by the organization. The King House was donated to Historic Hope in 1974.

Located about four miles from Hope, the 1763 structure will be moved to the Hope property where it will be restored and opened as house-museum.

Johnston County Genealogical Society

The society, organized in January, 1973, as a follow-up to a course in local history and genealogy given at the Johnston Technical Institute, meets on the third Tuesday of each winter month, except December, at 8:00 P.M. in the Public Library of Johnston County and Smithfield. Officers for 1975 are Miss Virginia L. Satterfield, president; Charles W. Creech, vice-president; Mrs. Richard Aycock, secretary; and Mrs. E. L. Morton, treasurer. Dues are $3.00 a year, payable January 1. Committees are at work on such projects as recording cemetery information, indexing the 1850 census for the county; listing place names, compiling family records from old Bibles; doing research in court minutes and wills; and locating discontinued schools.

Malcolm Blue Historical Society

The society is conducting a fund-raising drive to purchase additional land for an agricultural museum and outdoor farm complex at the Malcolm Blue House. It is hoped that there will be plowing, reaping, sowing, and other farm demonstrations, using pioneer tools and equipment. Persons interested in joining the society should send $2.00 annual dues to M. B. Pleasants, treasurer of the organization, at P.O. Box 153, Aberdeen, 28315.

Montgomery County Historical Society

The society honored the late Dr. Benjamin W. Brookshire on August 9 when a marker was dedicated at the old Brookshire home and office site between Mt. Gilead and Pekin. Following the unveiling of the marker, a covered dish picnic was held at Town Creek Indian Mound. The society is erecting markers at various historic sites in the county as part of its bicentennial observance.

Murfreesboro Historical Association

On July 1 Mr. E. Frank Stephenson, Jr., executive director of the association, guided Drs. Larry Tise and Steve Gluckman of the Division of Archives and History, Dr. Thomas C. Parramore of Meredith College, Mr. Tim Brinn of the Regional Development Institute in Greenville, and others on a tour of the Murfreesboro Historic District. The purpose was to acquaint the tourists with the architectural and archaeological potential of the area. The association is applying for a grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development for use in developing and restoring the district. The association and Chowan College are studying the possibility of implementing a two-year curriculum in archaeology at the college to train archaeological technicians. The study is an outgrowth of an archaeological field school conducted at the Wheeler House during the summer under the sponsorship of the college and association with assistance and supervision by the Division of Archives and History.

North Carolina Society of County and Local Historians

The society toured Lincoln County August 17, and the turnout was so good that four large buses were needed to carry the more than 300 in attendance; even so, 200 were turned away. Plans for the tour were made by Mr. and Mrs. Ed Smith of Iron Station. Following coffee and doughnuts at

the UDC Memorial Hall, the group visited Pleasant Retreat Academy, Lincoln County Library, Museum, and stopped for a brief devotion and tour of the 1885 cemetery of St. Luke's Episcopal Church. Also on the itinerary were Woodside, birthplace of James Pinckney Henderson, first governor of Texas; Magnolia Grove, now undergoing restoration; Rock Springs Campground, the oldest campmeeting in North Carolina, which dates back to 1830-1840; Ingleside, an 1817 example of antebellum architecture; and Vesuvius, 1792, the oldest home in Lincoln County, with the iron furnace operated by Gen. Joseph Graham. Vesuvius is now the home of the Smiths. Lunch was eaten on the site of the 1790 Battle of Ramsour's Mill, and refreshments were served at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Smith.

Onslow Historical Society

The annual outing of the society was held on the grounds of Wantland Spring on August 6. Contestants of the Bicentennial essay contest were honored, and watermelon was served after the program.

Wake County Historical Society

Dr. Thornton W. Mitchell again, on Labor Day, conducted a walking tour under the sponsorship of the society. He led a group through Raleigh's historic Oakwood Cemetery, pointing out numerous graves of prominent North Carolinians including several governors and members of the state's supreme court.

Calendar of Scheduled Events

November 4-8, Culture Week, Sheraton Crabtree Motor Inn, Raleigh

November 7-9, Greensboro Historical Museum sponsors weekend trip to Williamsburg, Virginia

November 9, Opening to the public of the exhibit, "Thomas Day, Cabinetmaker," North Carolina Museum of History

November "Month of Sundays," features CBS-TV "You Are There" series with programs on "People and Events" each Sunday at 3:00

- November 2, Washington Crosses the Delaware
  Resolve of Patrick Henry
- November 9, Discovery of Anesthesia
  Discovery of Radium
- November 16, Heroism of Clara Barton
  Dr. Pinel Unchains the Insane
- November 23, First Flight of the Wright Brothers
  First Major Test of Penicillin
- November 30, P. T. Barnum Presents Jenny Lind
  Susan B. Anthony Is Tried for Voting

December 14, "Christmas in Old Washington," 1:30-6:30; Yuletide tour to include visits in eighteenth and nineteenth century homes in Washington, N.C., a colonial town on the banks of the Pamlico River in Beaufort County

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GH	Division of Archives and History
ASLH	American Association for State and Local History
AUW	American Association of University Women
HENC	Association of Historians in Eastern North Carolina
RMA	Association of Records Managers and Administrators
PSNC	Historic Preservation Society of North Carolina
SNC	Historical Society of North Carolina
CARBC	North Carolina American Revolution Bicentennial Committee
CAS	North Carolina Art Society
CFS	North Carolina Folklore Society
CGS	North Carolina Genealogical Society
CHC	North Carolina Historical Commission
CL&HA	North Carolina Literary and Historical Association
CMC	North Carolina Museums Council
CPS	North Carolina Poetry Society
CHR	North Carolina Historical Review
CSCLH	North Carolina Society of County and Local Historians
CSU	North Carolina State University
CSS	North Carolina Symphony Society
RHA	Roanoke Island Historical Association
SA	Society of American Archivists
SR	Sons of the Revolution
SHA	Southern Historical Association
SHC	Southern Historical Collection
UNC-C	University of North Carolina at Charlotte
UNC-CH	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
WCU	Western Carolina University
WNCHA	Western North Carolina Historical Association

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Culture Week Moves to Crabtree Valley

The twelve organizations holding their annual meetings the week of November 4-8 gathered at the Sheraton-Crabtree Motor Inn at the Crabtree Valley Shopping Center instead of the traditional Sir Walter Hotel location. The Sir Walter no longer accepts conventions, but the change of locale proved to be advantageous in many respects. Adequate parking, the less formal atmosphere, and the proximity to the large shopping center were assets enjoyed by those participating in the functions of the several organizations.

North Carolina Literary and Historical Association

The oldest organization met on Friday, November 7, for morning, luncheon, dinner, and evening meetings as it celebrated its seventy-fifth anniversary. The occasion prompted an unusual amount of levity at the dinner, at which time living former presidents of Lit. and Hist. were honored. Mrs. Margaret Harper, president, read excerpts from letters written by former presidents who told of human interest and humorous events which had occurred during their several administrations. As she concluded her presentation, a large birthday cake, decorated with the Lit. and Hist. seal and seventy-five lighted candles, was taken into the room. The cake was served during the reception honoring former presidents and winners of

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The seventy-fifth anniversary of the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association was observed November 7. Miss Betty Yarbrough is shown above, left, as she serves birthday cake to Dr. and Mrs. Larry E. Tise. In the photograph at the right, Mrs. Joye E. Jordan offers punch to two of the association's former presidents, Drs. Chalmers Davidson and Henry S. Stroupe. Mrs. Davidson is standing between the two presidents. (All photos by the Division of Archives and History unless otherwise specified.)

From the Director's Desk...

This is the first installment in what I trust will become a frequent feature in *Carolina Comments*. Elsewhere in this issue readers will find information regarding the structural reorganization of the Division of Archives and History. Since any reorganization of a public agency leads to some confusion both within and without, I should perhaps offer a word of explanation for the changes.

The primary impetus which led to the reorganization was the ongoing revolution which is called "historic preservation." A secondary cause was the fact that at least one of the sections of the division had grown topsy-turvy to the point that it could no longer operate as a functional unit. A tertiary cause was the fact that the opportunity arose for the division to begin planning for the operation of the State Capitol Building and of a state capital visitor center.

During the past decade some of the same forces which led Americans to be conscious of their environment contributed to a vast commitment to the conservation of historical and archaeological resources. As a result of alterations in federal and state law which made the Division of Archives and History the administrative agency of both federal and state preservation programs, and the director of the division the chief administrative agent, the workload grew to the point that it detracted from the other responsibilities of the division and of the director. The commitment of the division to establish a viable and effective preservation program affected especially the development of state-owned historic sites. I, therefore, decided to establish an assistant director's position to absorb a portion of the administrative burden. I also decided to separate the old Historic Sites Section into two functional units, one for preservation programs and the other for the development of state-owned historic properties. The new Historic Preservation Section will be concerned entirely with identifying and preserving historic properties not owned by the state and for conducting a statewide preservation program. At the same time limited changes were made in the Archaeology Section so that it could operate nearly entirely as an agency to identify and conserve the state's archaeological resources.

The opening of the Capitol Building (tentatively July, 1976) and of a state capital visitor center (tentatively March 1, 1976) is the culmination of one dream and the launching of another. At present, resources permitting, it is intended that the State Capitol Building will operate as a focal center for visitation in Raleigh. The interpretive program in the Capitol will feature the history of state government and of the General Assembly. In addition, the Capitol Building will have a wide-ranging cultural and historical program that will add considerably to the educational opportunities for visitors to and residents of Raleigh.

The Visitor Center (at the corner of Lane and Blount) will add another new dimension to the programs of the division. It will be operated to orient visitors both to the capital complex and to the history of state government. In addition to coordinating visitation to the various educational facilities in the capital complex, the Visitor Center will have an interpretive program in which will be emphasized the evolution of state government to its present status and complexity.

While reorganization is never an easy thing to accomplish, I trust that the rearrangement of responsibilities in the division will make it possible for us to undertake our work in a more logical fashion and to deal more effectively with the problems and challenges confronting us.

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awards at the conclusion of the evening meeting.

Speaker at the evening meeting was Dr. Frontis W. Johnston of Davidson College, a former president of the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association, who reviewed the organization's seventy-five-year history. At the conclusion of his address, winners of the state's highest literary and historical awards were announced: Mrs. Marjory Lane, president of the Historical Book Club of North Carolina, presented the Sir Walter Raleigh Award for fiction to Mr. John Ehle for his novel, *The Changing of the Guard*; Mr. Samuel B. Dees, president of the Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of North Carolina, presented the Mayflower Society Award to Dr. C. Hugh Holman for *The Loneliness at the Core: Studies in Thomas Wolfe*; and Dr. H. G. Jones, secretary-treasurer of the North Carolina

Above, left, Mr. John Ehle, winner of the Sir Walter Raleigh Award, receives a check from Mrs. Marjory Lane; above, right, Dr. C. Hugh Holman, left, is handed the Mayflower Cup by Mr. Samuel B. Dees.

Dr. Fletcher M. Green, Mrs. Green, and Dr. H. G. Jones are pictured as Dr. Jones hands the Christopher Crittenden Cup to Dr. Green.

Literary and Historical Association, presented the Christopher Crittenden Memorial Award to Dr. Fletcher M. Green, retired Kenan Professor of History at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, for his "distinguished service in the stimulation of interest in and knowledge of North Carolina history."

Dr. Richard Bardolph of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro reviewed North Carolina's nonfiction for the year during the morning meeting, and Dr. Walter Spearman of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill reviewed the year's fiction during the luncheon meeting. Also speaking in the morning was Dr. Blyden Jackson of Chapel Hill whose topic was "George Moses Horton, North Carolinian." The American Association of University Women's Award for Juvenile Literature was presented by the AAUW state president, Dr. Gloria Blanton of Raleigh, to Mr. Alexander Key

Lit. and Hist. speakers included, left to right, Drs. Blyden Jackson, Richard Bardolph, Walter Spearman, and Frontis Johnston. Mrs. Margaret Harper, president of the association, is shown back of the speaker's stand as she listens to Dr. Spearman.

Above, left, Hargus Taylor and Mrs. Marion Cannon pose after Mrs. Cannon received the Roanoke-Chowan Award. Above, right, winners of AASLH certificates of commendation and awards of merit pose with Dr. H. G. Jones, center. Shown left to right are Arthur Spaugh, Jr., for Old Salem, Edward H. Clement for the Historic Salisbury Foundation, Dr. Jones, Mrs. George A. Byrum for the Edenton Woman's Club, and Dr. William S. Price, Jr., for the Colonial Records Project. Bruce and Nancy Roberts were not present to receive their certificate.

of Franklin for his book, *The Magic Mountain*. Mr. Hargus Taylor of Murfreesboro, convenor of the Roanoke-Chowan Group, presented the Roanoke-Chowan Poetry Award to Mrs. Marion Cannon of Charlotte for her book, *Another Light*. The Robert Digges Wimberly Connor Award, presented by the Historical Society of North Carolina for the best article published in the *North Carolina Historical Review*, went to Dr. Peter Kent Opper of Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania, for his article "North Carolina Quakers: Reluctant Slaveholders," in the January, 1975, issue. The society's Undergraduate Award went to Gary Freeze of Statesville for a paper written while he was a student at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, entitled "Like a House Built Upon Sand: The Anglican Church and Establishment in North Carolina, 1765-1776." The latter two awards were announced by Dr. Mattie Russell of Duke University, outgoing president of the Historical Society of North Carolina.

Dr. H. G. Jones presented a number of American Association for State and Local History awards. Certificates of commendation went to the Historic Salisbury Foundation for contributions to local and state history through its urban preservation program and to the Edenton's Woman's Club for its contributions to Historic Edenton; the former was accepted by Mr. Edward H. Clement, president of the foundation, and the latter by Mrs. George A. Byrum, president. A certificate of commendation also went to Bruce and Nancy Roberts for their promotion of state and local history through their books. Awards of merit were granted to Old Salem, Arthur Spaugh, Jr., president, for its twenty-five years of pioneering in historical

preservation and restoration and to the Colonial Records Project of the Division of Archives and History, William S. Price, Jr., editor, for its program of acquiring and publishing documents relating to North Carolina's colonial period.

During the morning business meeting, over which Mrs. Harper presided, the following officers were elected: Dr. H. G. Jones, president; Mrs. Memory F. Mitchell, secretary-treasurer; Dr. Alan D. Watson, Mr. James W. Wall, and Dr. Thomas C. Parramore, vice-presidents; and Miss Helen Runnion and Dr. William E. King, members of the executive committee. Vice-presidents William E. King of Durham, Henry W. Lewis of Chapel Hill, and Max R. Williams of Cullowhee presided, at the morning, luncheon, and dinner meetings respectively.

Roanoke Island Historical Association

Culture Week began with the meeting of the Roanoke Island Historical Association. Mrs. William C. Friday, chairman, presided at the annual business meeting and subscription luncheon on Tuesday, November 4. A report was presented by Page Meekins, general manager of *The Lost Colony*.

North Carolina Federation of Music Clubs

The federation met the afternoon of November 4 for a musical program presented by Angela Kay Vanstory, pianist and NCFMC student winner; Meredith Garriss, violinist and NCFMC scholarship winner; and the Voyagers of John T. Hoggard High School, Bob L. Alexander, director of the chorus. The program was followed by a tea honoring artists and guests. Mrs. David W. Karr presided at the dinner meeting, at which time the Hinda Honigman Composers Cup for 1975 was presented to Dr. Richard Peek, organist and choir director of Covenant Presbyterian Church in Charlotte, for his composition for organ and flute, piano and organ, or harpsichord and flute, "Pastoral and Noel." Dr. Peek played his winning composition during the banquet. An address, "America through Music," was given by Dr. Robert Suderberg, chancellor of the North Carolina School of the Arts. An evening concert was presented by Mr. Joseph Blanton, tenor with the New York City Opera.

North Carolina Art Society

The society's annual business meeting was held the morning of November 5 with Mrs. Isaac Manly, president, presiding. New directors were elected: Mrs. Edward G. Lilly, Jr., of Raleigh, Mrs. Charles M. Reeves, Jr., of Sanford, Mrs. Edward C. Ritchell of Winston-Salem, and Mason P. Thomas, Jr., of Chapel Hill. Recognition was paid at the luncheon meeting to the seventy-fifth anniversary of the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association, with a tribute to the association by Miss Gertrude S. Carraway of New Bern; members of the Art Society were invited to participate in the seventy-fifth celebration on November 7 by the association's president, Mrs. Margaret Harper of Southport. Museum Director Moussa Domit reported on the museum's recent acquisitions.

At an afternoon meeting of officers and directors, 1975 officers were reelected for 1976: Mrs. Isaac V. Manly, president; Mrs. Charles M. Reeves, Jr., vice-president; and Charles Lee Smith, Jr., of Raleigh, secretary-treasurer.

A guided tour of the Museum of Art for members and guests and a reception honoring Dr. and Mrs. Sherman E. Lee were features of the afternoon program. Dr. Lee, director of the Cleveland Museum of Art, gave the address at the annual dinner meeting of the society. At that time 1975 winners, thirty-eighth North Carolina Artists' Exhibition, were announced: Ronald Christ of Weldon, first prize winner, with "Still Life with Two Tins." Second prize went to Lorraine Force of Boone for "Rope," a hanging natural fiber sculpture eighty inches long; and third prize was given to Ron Rozzelle of California for a three-part composition called "Interpretation." A reception and preview opening of the 1975 North Carolina Artists' Exhibition was held at the Museum of Art that evening.

The Art Society worked out plans to raise half the $275,000 purchase price for Claude Monet's "Morning Mists" as a bicentennial project and a commemoration of the society's fiftieth anniversary next year.

Historic Preservation Society of North Carolina

Presiding at the morning session was Dr. Banks C. Talley, Jr., president. A $600 incentive award was presented to the King House restoration, sponsored by Historic Hope; it was accepted by John Tyler on behalf of the project. New awards of merit went to David and Catherine Cloud of Beaufort, Mrs. Edwin P. Brown and the late Mr. Brown of Murfreesboro, Mr. and Mrs. Francis P. Jenkins of Tarboro, Dr. Claiborne T. Smith of Rocky Mount, St. Joseph's Historic Foundation of Durham, Miss Beatrice Holbrook of Raleigh and Dr. J. Sam Holbrook of Statesville, Dr. Lawrence S. Alspaugh of Greensboro, Mr. Gordon P. Watts of Kure Beach, the Person Street Preservation Committee of Fayetteville, the Mecklenburg Historical Association of Charlotte, and the Historical Committee of the Valdese Presbyterian Church.

Miss Gertrude S. Carraway presented the report of the nominating committee, and the following officers were chosen to serve in 1976: Dr. Banks C. Talley, president; Mr. Thomas A. Gray of Winston-Salem, vice-president; Mr. Bruce MacDougal of Raleigh, secretary-treasurer; and John E. Tyler, Mrs. Sarah Brinson, Claude Moore, Mrs. Bailey O. Williamson, Joe C. Matthews, Lindley Butler, Mrs. Thomas A. Pike, Jr., Edward H. Clement, Mrs. Lawrence Boggs, Mrs. H. Leslie Moody, and Harley Jolley, vice-

Two of the Cannon Cup winners are pictured above with Dr. Banks C. Talley, Jr. In the photograph above, left, is Capt. Henry C. Bridgers; right is Mr. Edward H. Clement.

Left, persons touring Historic Oakwood stand before one of the Oakwood houses. The Society for the Preservation of Historic Oakwood and the Hickory Landmark Society also won Cannon cups.

presidents of the congressional districts.

Following the business session, reports of preservation projects were presented by representatives of Historic Wilmington, Historic Salisbury, Historic Oakwood in Raleigh, Old Salem, Stonewall in Nash County, and the Gaston House in New Bern. During the afternoon there were walking tours of the Oakwood and Capitol Square areas.

A social hour, with the State Bicentennial Committee as host, was held at the restored State Bank Building, formerly used by the North Carolina National Bank and now by the Bicentennial Committee staff. The evening meeting in the Archives and History-State Library Building followed, with Mr. Leopold Adler II of Savannah, Georgia, as the speaker. His topic, illustrated with slides, was "Savannah Restoration." The evening program concluded with presentation of awards. The North Carolina Chapter of the American Institute of Architects presented certificates of merit in recognition of restoration work at Thalian Hall in Wilmington, Leslie N. Boney, architect; the Mordecai House in Raleigh, Dodge and Beckwith, Architects; and to Mr. and Mrs. William Gay of Charlotte for the restoration of their historically significant home, Victoria. Ruth Coltrane Cannon Cups for outstanding work in the field of preservation went to Capt. Henry C. Bridgers, chairman of Historic Bath; Edward H. Clement, president of the Historic Salisbury Foundation; the Society for the Preservation of Historic Oakwood, Barry Poe, chairman; and to the Hickory Landmarks Society, Inc.

The evening's activities concluded with a dinner served in the Archives and History-State Library Building.

North Carolina Museums Council

The annual meeting of the council was held on November 6, with a morning meeting of the executive board and the annual business and pro-

North Carolina Museums Council award winner Mae Woods Bell of the Rocky Mount Children's Museum receives the award from John Ellington, secretary of the council.

gram sessions in the afternoon. Officers elected are: Cleve K. Scarbrough of Charlotte, president; Mrs. Caroline Milner of Wilmington, vice-president; John D. Ellington of Raleigh, secretary-treasurer; Gene Capps of Winston-Salem, chairman of publications; Belinda Riggsby of Winston-Salem, editor of the newsletter; and Janet Seapker, Maya Reid, and Eve S. Cleaver, all of Raleigh, John Kern of Charlotte, and William J. Moore of Greensboro, members of the board.

The fifth annual North Carolina Museum's Council Award went to Mae Woods Bell, founding director of the Rocky Mount Children's Museum, for her "notable achievement in the museum profession." An address, "Historic Murfreesboro and Its Restoration," was presented by E. Frank Stephenson, Jr., president of the Murfreesboro Historical Association.

North Carolina Genealogical Society

President Charles R. Holloman presided at the luncheon and afternoon meetings of the society held on November 6. The following officers were elected: Mr. Holloman, president; Hugh B. Johnston of Wilson, first vice-president; Ransom McBride of Cary, second vice-president; Mrs. Henry E. Kendall of Raleigh, treasurer; Thornton W. Mitchell of Raleigh, secretary; Mrs. Stahle Linn, Jr., of Salisbury, editor of the society's journal; and Lindley S. Butler of Wentworth, C. Kenyon Withrow of Ellenboro, and William C. Fields of Fayetteville, directors. At the luncheon meeting, Dr. Robert J. Cain, who served as overseas researcher in London for the Division of Archives and History from the fall of 1969 until August of 1975, discussed records in England of interest to genealogists. Mr. William S. Powell, professor of history at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, spoke in the afternoon on "The Dictionary of North Carolina Biography."

Dr. Robert J. Cain is shown speaking at the luncheon meeting of the North Carolina Genealogical Society; listening are Mrs. Cain and Mr. Charles R. Holloman, president of the organization.

North Carolina Folklore Society

The afternoon session featured Magie Lauterer, mountain ballad; Ruth Jewell and Dancers, a brief survey of folk dance in North Carolina; and Brian Medas, illustrated history of the guitar. The society elected the following officers: Lena Mayberry of Spindale, president; F. Roy Johnson of Murfreesboro, first vice-president; Rogers V. Whitener of Boone, second vice-president; Douglas J. McMillan of Greenville, third vice-president; and Harry C. West of Raleigh, secretary-treasurer. Brown-Hudson Folklore Award winners were Doc and Merle Watson of Boone, a blind folk singer and his son who perform together; Dr. Cratis Williams of Boone; and Mr. Richard Walser of Raleigh.

Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of North Carolina
The Historical Book Club of North Carolina

The two organizations honored their officers and winners of the Mayflower and Sir Walter Raleigh awards at a coffee the morning of November 8. The event was held at the Governors Inn in the Research Triangle Park.

North Carolina Poetry Society

The society met at the Sheraton-Crabtree the morning of November 8 for a business meeting, poetry workshop, and luncheon. The society's president is Rebecca Ball Rust of Raleigh; first vice-president is Joseph Fontana of Greensboro; second vice-president is Carla Bagley of Dunn; recording secretary is Kathryn Bright Gurkin of Clinton; corresponding secretary is Irene Cheshire of Raleigh; treasurer is Henry Reeves of Ellenboro; and royalties treasurer is Mary Louise Medley of Wadesboro.

North Carolina Society of County and Local Historians

President Claude Moore of Turkey presided at the morning session. An address, "David Reid: Supporter of Popular Rights and Democratic Principles," was given by Dr. Lindley S. Butler, professor of history at Rockingham Community College. Mrs. Lura S. Tally, Cumberland County representative in the General Assembly, spoke at the luncheon meeting on "County and Local History in our Bicentennial Year."

The Smithwick Award, a bronze cup, went to William M. Reaves of the *Wilmington Star-News* for his article, "Explorers-Pirates-Indians," in the July 4, 1975, issue. Awards of merit went to Edward H. Smith of Iron Station for an article in the *Charlotte Magazine*, "The Great Debate," May and June issues; and to Mrs. Mary Claire Engstrom of Chapel Hill for two articles, "A Lady of Quality," June 19, 1975, and "The Third Provincial Congress," August 21, 1975, in *News of Orange County*. The Peace Competition was won by Miss Dannye Romine of Charlotte for her book, *Mecklenburg: A Bicentennial Story*. The award was in the form of a silver cup. Two persons tied for recognition as runners-up, and each received a scroll. These two were Edwin A. West of Washington, N.C., for *Elise High School and Upper Moore County* and Lewis Philip Hall of Wilmington for *Land of the Golden River*.

All officers were unanimously reelected: Claude Moore, president; Mrs. Mary Jane McCrary of Brevard, first vice-president; Mrs. Fred Nix of Gibsonville, second vice-president; Mrs. Margaret McMahan of Fayetteville, secretary-treasurer.

Museum Acquires Coin Collection

The North Carolina Museum of History recently acquired a large and rare collection of North Carolina gold coins and national bank notes. Not everyone is aware that this state was the gold-producing center of the country during the first half of the nineteenth century or that the first American gold dollar was struck in Rutherfordton.

Christopher Bechtler, gun and goldsmith from Germany, settled in Rutherfordton with his son and nephew, and minted $1.00, $2.50, and $5.00 gold pieces from 1831 until about 1846. Bechtler's production of gold coins was

A die for a Bechtler coin (left) and two Bechtler coins are pictured here.

exceeded only by the United States Mint. The museum acquisition includes most of the thirty variations of Bechtler coins and is probably the largest collection in the country.

National bank notes were authorized by the National Currency Act of 1863 and 1864 as a solution to the instability and unpopularity of unsecured legal tender notes ("Greenbacks") issued during the Civil War. The new currency was issued through federally chartered *local* banks with the name of the locale appearing on the note, as in "The First National Bank of Mount Airy." Treasury rationale was to secure confidence in the new issues by associating the notes with something familiar and trustworthy to the spender.

North Carolina had 147 such "national" banks before 1929 when the currency was recalled and destroyed. The notes are valued for their intricate and fine engraving as well as for their scarcity. The museum has 384 of these notes, including an extremely rare uncut sheet.

Archives Installs Security System

As one result of the theft of documents early in 1974, new security measures have been implemented in the North Carolina State Archives Search Room. Surveillance television has been installed with a fixed camera in each corner of the room and two sweeping cameras, each with a zoom lens, in the middle. Monitors and a video tape recorder have been placed in the lobby to the Search Room, where they are watched by security officers. Registration procedures have also been tightened, with all visitors to the Search Room being required to register with the security officers. All visitors also have to have a photo identification card which is issued at the time of the initial visit to the Search Room and which may be used thereafter as identification when registering. A copy of the new regulations governing use of the Search Room, as adopted by the North Carolina Historical Commission, may be obtained upon request.

Subscription Rate to Increase

Because of the astronomical rise in printing costs, a subscription to the *North Carolina Historical Review* is being increased to $8.00, effective with the January issue. Considering the fact that *Carolina Comments* is sent to all subscribers to the *Review*, the two publications are still a bargain. Members of the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association, who pay $10.00 yearly in membership fees, will continue to receive the two periodicals without payment other than dues.

The cost of printing the *North Carolina Historical Review* has more than doubled since 1968, and the cost of printing *Carolina Comments*, which includes more local news than was formerly the case, has nearly tripled. More subscribers would enable the division to hold down the unit cost, and all who read the two periodicals are urged to help the Division of Archives and History by encouraging their friends to join the Literary and Historical Association or subscribe directly.

New Publications Available

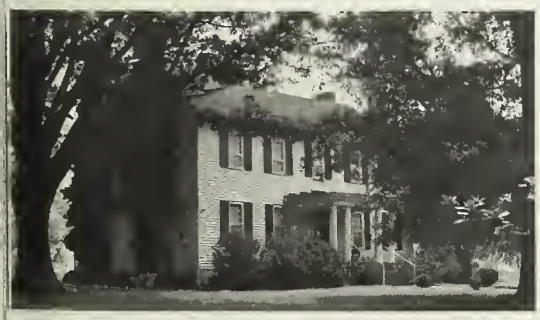
The Historical Publications Section has issued in booklet form the article first published in the Winter, 1975, issue of the *North Carolina Historical Review*, entitled "Golden Promise in the Piedmont: The Story of John Reed's Mine," by Richard F. Knapp. Additional pictures enhance the value of the publication, which is available from the Historical Publications Section of the Division of Archives and History, for 50 cents.

The North Carolina American Revolution Bicentennial Committee has published *A Guidebook to Revolutionary Sites in North Carolina*, edited by Jeffrey Crow and compiled by Patricia B. Moss. This is the third in the committee's pamphlet series; it is available for $1.50 from the bicentennial office in Raleigh. All bicentennial publications should be ordered directly from the North Carolina American Revolution Bicentennial Committee and *not through the Historical Publications Section.*

The index to the 1975 issues of *Carolina Comments* will be available early this year. Persons wishing a copy of this free index should send a request to the Historical Publications Section.

Historic Sites Added to National Register

Pictured on this and the following page are several additions to the National Register of Historic Places. Above are two Wake County sites, both in the city of Raleigh. Left, the Merrimon Wynne House at 526 N. Wilmington Street; right, Elmwood, 16 N. Boylan Avenue.



Left, Willow Oaks Farm (Cascade Plantation), Rockingham County; right, Cooke House, Louisburg vicinity, Franklin County.

Left, Leigh Farm, Chapel Hill vicinity, Durham County; right, Rowan County courthouses (earlier one is to the left), N. Main Street, Salisbury Historic District.

Salisbury Historic District, Rowan County: above, left, the southeast side, 400 block, South Fulton Street, looking northwest; right, the southeast side of the 200 block, South Main Street, looking northeast with the Conrad Brem House (203-205 South Main) in the center.

Left, Clay County Courthouse, Hayesville; center, Biddle Memorial Hall, Johnson C. Smith University, Charlotte, Mecklenburg County; right, Philadelphus Presbyterian Church, Robeson County.

Raleigh Day Is Observed

The Historical Publications Section of the Division of Archives and History and the Local History Department of the Wake County Public Libraries sponsored a Raleigh Day on October 26. During the preceding week the emphasis on Raleigh's past was stressed when Beth Crabtree, Elizabeth Norris, and William S. Price, Jr., answered questions on Raleigh and Wake County on WPTF radio program, "Open Line." On the Sunday afternoon program, a walking tour of Historic Oakwood in Raleigh was conducted by

Ms. Ruth Little-Stokes and another by Mrs. Bernard W. Wishy. Both Ms. Little-Stokes and Mrs. Wishy are residents of the Oakwood section. A walking tour of Oakwood Cemetery was conducted by Miss Marie D. Moore, and a tour of the City Cemetery was led by Miss Beth Crabtree. Later in the afternoon, sponsors of the Raleigh Day were recognized at the Olivia Raney Library and two talks were given. One, by Anne Hill, was entitled "The Do's and Don'ts of Living in an Older House"; the other, a slide presentation, was entitled "A Look at Oakwood." The slide program was presented by the Society for the Preservation of Historic Oakwood.

Memorial Program Held at Tryon Palace

A memorial program and unveiling ceremony honoring the late John A. Kellenberger and his widow, Mrs. May Gordon Latham Kellenberger, were held in the Kellenberger Garden at Tryon Palace on October 22. Mr. Kellenberger was treasurer and finance officer for the Tryon Palace Commission for twenty-two years, and Mrs. Kellenberger has been chairman of the commission for a quarter of a century. The ceremony was held in connection with the semiannual meeting of the Tryon Palace Commission on October 23. Following a program in the palace auditorium, a memorial plaque was unveiled in the garden. Presiding was Mrs. J. S. Mitchiner of Raleigh, a member of the commission since its formation in 1945, its second vice-chairman, and chairman of its garden committee.

Oral History Association Meets in Asheville

The first meeting of the National Oral History Association was held at Grove Park Inn in Asheville October 23-26, with Dr. Samuel Proctor of Florida as president. The Appalachian Consortium was host group. Dr. Richard Iobst of Western Carolina University was chairman of local arrangements; Dr. Harley Jolley of Mars Hill worked with him.

Dr. Jacquelyn Hall, director of the Southern Oral History Program at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, presided over a session entitled "Oral Sources and Women's History." The session included a paper by Mary Frederickson, a research assistant for the program, on the "Southern Summer School for Women Workers in Industry."

Archives and History Is Reorganized

Effective November 1 the Division of Archives and History underwent a reorganization, with the major changes occurring in the director's office and in the Historic Sites Section. That section was divided into two sections: Historic Preservation and Historic Sites. In addition, a new State Capitol/ Visitor Services Section was established.

Working with Dr. Larry E. Tise, director of the division, is Dr. William S. Price, Jr., who was promoted from his position as head of the Colonial Records Branch of the Historical Publications Section to that of assistant director for general programs. He will have overall responsibility for the Museum, Archives and Records, and Historical Publications sections. Mr. Bruce MacDougal, former chief of the Historic Sites Section, is acting assistant director for preservation programs and is also acting chief of the Historic Preservation Section. Mr. MacDougal also serves as deputy state historic preservation officer. In his position as an assistant director he will

oversee the sections dealing with preservation and historic sites and archaeology. Dr. Donna Spindel is administrative assistant to Dr. Price; and Mr. Frederick Masseno, formerly with the Restoration Branch of Historic Sites, is now grants specialist to Mr. MacDougal. Mr. Samuel P. Townsend, former assistant chief of the Historic Sites Section, is heading the new State Capitol/Visitor Services Section; Mr. Richard W. Sawyer, former head of the Operations Branch of Historic Sites, is acting chief of the Historic Sites Section.

Promoted to Dr. Price's place in Colonial Records is Dr. Robert J. Cain, who was stationed in London as overseas researcher for several years. Since August he has been employed as an archivist with the Archives and Records Section.

The Archaeology Section has six new employees. D. Katharine Beidleman, archaeologist I, received her A.B. from Smith College and has completed the requirements for the master's degree in anthropology at the University of Florida. She began working in September. Sarah Goodnight, laboratory technician, joined the staff in October after working in Winchester, England, at excavations of a medieval site and in the Cotswold Hills at an early Neolithic site; her A.B. is from East Carolina University. Ann Ritter, a 1974 graduate in sociology at North Carolina State University, joined the staff as a secretary. She has had secretarial experience in New York. Bep P. Robertson, survey archaeologist, is a 1972 graduate of the University of Maryland with graduate work at Eastern New Mexico University, where he majored in anthropology. He has had extensive fieldwork experience. Linda B. Robertson, assistant survey archaeologist, has her A.B. in anthropology and art history from Rice University and has done fieldwork in New Mexico and in North Carolina. The Robertsons began working in North Carolina in May, 1974, and had experience at the Reed Gold Mine from February through July of last year. Laboratory supervisor James J. Shive joined the section staff in August after receiving his A.B. in anthropology and history from Western Carolina University.

Mrs. Marion Gwyn replaced Mrs. Gail Jordan as secretary to the administrator of the Museum of History on November 1.

Messrs. Hosea McAllister, James Winters, and Robert Abercombie joined the State Records Branch of the Archives and Records Section in October to work as hourly employees in assisting with the move from the old to the new Records Center.

Several members of the Archives and History staff have recently traveled out of North Carolina. Dr. Thornton W. Mitchell, state archivist, went to Springfield, Illinois, for a formal presentation on November 18 of *Norton on Archives: The Writings of Margaret Cross Norton on Archival & Records Management*, which he edited and which was published by the Southern Illinois University Press. Bruce MacDougal, Greer Suttlemyre, Catherine Cockshutt, and Janet Seapker of the Historic Preservation Section went to the National Trust for Historic Preservation in Boston October 9-12. Mrs. Memory F. Mitchell, historical publications administrator; Dr. William S. Price, Jr., and Dr. Donna Spindel of the director's office; and Dr. Jeffrey Crow of the staff of the North Carolina American Revolution Bicentennial Committee attended the Southern Historical Association in Washington, D.C., November 12-15. Mrs. Mitchell arranged for and attended a meeting of editors of southern historical journals held in Washington on November 13.

An Open Letter . . .

As readers of *Carolina Comments* will certainly have noticed, there has been an alteration in leadership at the Division of Archives and History. Robert E. Stipe of Chapel Hill left the division at the end of May for reasons of health. It was, therefore, with mixed feelings of both sadness and joy that I took over the office of director of the division at the first of June. With similar mixed feelings I became permanent director on September 24.

The reasons for my ambivalence about the position are easy to list. First, I followed upon a man who except for failing health would have become a great director of the division. Secondly, while feeling the exuberance and eagerness of my own youthfulness, I realized that youthfulness can be a liability as well as an asset. Thirdly, I felt the shortcomings of having been associated with the division for all too short a time. Fourthly, I felt that I was coming to head an organization that had seen all too much change in direction in a period of two short years.

Despite the sadness, the youthfulness, the conscious shortcomings, and the sense of disorganization, however, I entered into the position with a feeling of determination that we should look to the future and with a sense of mission that I could perhaps serve as a catalyst to move the division ahead into unexplored territories and uncharted waters.

I did not come to the directorship without ideas as to the direction in which the division should go. The purpose of this letter, in fact, is to share with the readers of *Carolina Comments* some of my vision as to the future of Archives and History in North Carolina.

Despite the great and excellent work of the previous directors of the division (department), including Connor, Newsome, Crittenden, and Jones, in building up perhaps the most outstanding state historical agency in the nation, the North Carolina Division of Archives and History stands at a crossroads. One path leads to the diffusion of historical work among a myriad of agencies and organizations. Another leads to the diminution of governmental concern for things historical. Perhaps yet another leads to the absorption of history into other more "relevant" concerns such as the environment, recreation, antiquarianism, and a hundred other issues of which history forms a part.

It is my feeling, however, that there is another pathway, less discernible but nevertheless possible and real. That higher way is definitely the more laudable, and equally definitely, the more difficult. While it does not depart from many of the emphases and triumphs of the past, it does signify the launching of a new history and new traditions at the Division of Archives and History.

There are a number of terms which could be used to describe the future direction I see for the division. Some of them are involvement, comprehensiveness, achievement, innovation, and professionalism. In all of its programs and in all of its concerns the division will be seeking consciously to involve every citizen in the state who is professionally, privately, or even potentially interested in history. Our goal is to make every citizen aware of the values of history and to involve every citizen in the concerns of history.

We will not be content with merely involving citizens and professionals in our programs. We will be seeking to deal with the totality of the state's history and with the totality of the concerns of history. Whether we speak of our archives, our historical publications, our museum, our preservation program, our approach to archaeology, or our interpretive programs, our concern will be to deal comprehensively with the state's history and to approach comprehensively the preservation of the materials and objects of the state's history.

As we seek to involve citizens in our programs and as we treat the totality of the state's history, we will place a premium on achievement and innovation. We live in a time of shrinking budgets and rapid change. In the face of sometimes forced contraction, we are going to have to rely more heavily upon greater achievement and deliberate innovation. As a staff, we will establish and attain loftier goals than we have in the past. We will also experiment with new approaches to old problems and to the challenges that lie before us.

Finally, we will maintain an unflinching devotion to professionalism in all that we do. North Carolina's historical agency has always been first and foremost a professional organization from stem to stern. Despite the fact that public servants are perpetually beset with challenges to professionalism, the Division of Archives and History will continue to acquit its responsibilities in the highest and most laudatory professional manner.

All of the foregoing is a prelude to my expression of a personal commitment to the people of North Carolina to uphold the outstanding traditions of previous directors and to seek, as they always did, to create a public historical agency for the state which is lively, innovative, and entirely professional. While many great challenges lie ahead for the division, I trust that none will be greater than our resolute determination to establish a new and worthy tradition.

Larry E. Tise

Pinehurst Archivist Visits Archives

Mrs. Mildred McIntosh of Pinehurst examines the index to the Archives collection of negatives with Dick Lankford, iconographic archivist. Mrs. McIntosh, former secretary for many years to Richard Tufts of Pinehurst, Inc., and coordinator of many golf tournaments in Pinehurst, visited the Archives last month to study methods and procedures. She is preparing for a new career of setting up an archives for the collection of papers and photographs in Pinehurst, Inc., which was operated by the Tufts family from the late nineteenth century until it was purchased in recent years by the Diamond Head Corporation. An archival wing has been built onto the Given Memorial Library in Pinehurst, and work will begin on the papers during the coming year.

Colleges and Universities

Campbell College

Dr. W. Conard Gass spoke on October 17 at Georgia State University in Atlanta to the Southern History of Education Society, taking as his topic, "The Education of a Southern Educator: Calvin H. Wiley." Dr. Vernon O. Stumpf had an article, "Governor Josiah Martin: The Road to the Cape Fear" published in the *Lower Cape Fear Historical Society, Inc. Bulletin* in October.

Duke University

Richard L. Watson, Jr., longtime member and former chairman of the Department of History at Duke was named vice-president of the Southern Historical Association at its forty-first annual meeting held in Washington, D.C., November 12-15. Under the constitution of the association, Dr. Watson will become president for the year beginning in November, 1976. At the same meeting, Anne F. Scott of the history department was named to the executive council of the association; Robert F. Durden and Frederic B. M. Hollyday served as chairman and vice-chairman, respectively, for the program committee. Other members from the department who participated on the program at the meeting were John J. TePaske, Todd Savitt, Charles R. Young, and Anne F. Scott, as did Arlin Turner of the Department of English.

Some forty-five Ph.D. alumni and members of the department attended a Duke breakfast on Friday, November 14, and that afternoon members of the department present at the meeting hosted a reception for approximately 120 alumni and friends of the department.

Meredith College

Erika Fairchild was awarded a grant by the North Carolina Humanities Committee to present a three-session symposium on "New Rights for Old: The Changing Uses of the Constitution." Programs are scheduled for spring. She and Dr. Rosalie P. Gates both participated in programs sponsored by the Wake County Council on Aging, she on October 16 and November 2 and Dr. Gates on October 30. Dr. Frank L. Grubbs, Jr., is listed on the Governor's Bicentennial Speakers Bureau.

North Carolina State University

Dr. Murray S. Downs spoke at the Raleigh Torch Club October 15 on the

topic, "America's Last King and the Historians." Charles Carlton was named a Fellow of the Royal Historical Society during the past summer.

North Carolina Wesleyan College

David A. Jones spoke at Iona College, University of Windsor, on November 17, taking as his topic, "The Metaphysics of Marriage." His article, "The Third Unrealized Wonder: The Reality of Relation in D. H. Lawrence and Martin Buber," was published last summer in *Religion in Life*.

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Miss Anna Brooke Allan took early retirement after thirty-two years of service as curator for processing in the Southern Historical Collection. Her retirement was effective October 1. She was succeeded by Mrs. Ellen Neal, Ph.D. candidate at Stanford University, who was promoted from her former position as library-technical assistant. The position of reference curator, formerly held by Dr. Carolyn A. Wallace, was filled by Mr. Richard A. Shrader, a Ph.D. candidate at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, who was promoted from a position as library technical assistant. Dr. Wallace was made director of the Southern Historical Collection following the retirement of Dr. J. Isaac Copeland.

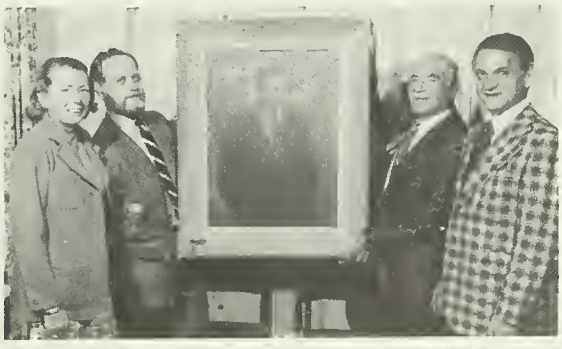
Professors John M. Headley, Donald G. Mathews, Genna Rae McNeil, and George Mowry participated in the program at the annual meeting of the Southern Historical Association in Washington, D.C., November 12-15. Also in attendance were Drs. Wallace and Copeland, and Professors William S. Powell, John Nelson, George Taylor, George Tindall, E. P. Douglass, and Frank Klingberg.

Dr. Wallace attended the Society of American Archivists in Philadelphia and spoke at a session on the National Union Catalog of Manuscript Collections on October 2. Mr. Powell spoke on "University Days of the Past" at University Day, October 12, and on North Carolina's role in the American Revolution before the Wake County Phi Beta Kappa on October 20. At Methodist College, Fayetteville, on October 24 he participated in a panel discussion of "What in the World Has Happened to History in the Public Schools?"

Mrs. Suzanne Levy, formerly documents librarian with the North Carolina State Library, joined the staff of the North Carolina Collection as cataloger on December 1. Dr. H. G. Jones, curator of the collection, had an article, "Up from a Cultural Wasteland," in the September issue of *State* magazine.

North Carolina Collection Given Wolfe Portrait

The North Carolina Collection of the University of North Carolina was given an oil portrait of Thomas Wolfe in ceremonies on October 11. The portrait, painted by Douglas Gorsline, shows Wolfe standing in a Brooklyn street. The donor is Phillip Hettleman, a Goldsboro native who is now senior partner of a New York investment firm. Pictured here are, left to right: Mrs. Hettleman; Dr. H. G. Jones, curator of the North Carolina Collection; Mr. Hettleman; and Dr. William F. Little, vice-chancellor of UNC-CH.



University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Dr. John E. Wrigley was the featured lecturer on the topic, "The American Mind: Native Growth or European Transplant? Carleton Hayes vs. Frederick Jackson Turner," at Belmont Abbey College on October 7.

University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Dr. Richard N. Current, Distinguished University Professor at the university, presented his presidential address at the Southern Historical Association in Washington, D.C., November 13. His topic was "Tarheels and Badgers: A Comparative History of Their Reputations." Dr. Richard Bardolph continues to serve as a member of the Board of Editors of the *Southern Historical Review*; he attended the board's annual breakfast at the Washington meeting. Dr. Bardolph is also a member of the North Carolina Committee on the Humanities, an affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities, and he is serving as a speaker at fifteen forums and institutes funded by the endowment in various localities in North Carolina. Dr. Loren Schweninger had an article, "A Fugitive Negro in the Promised Land: James Rapier in Canada, 1856-1863," in the June, 1975, issue of *Ontario History*. Drs. Jane Mathews and Robert M. Calhoon will be returning to the department after a year's absence under grants from the National Endowment for the Humanities. Dr. Mathew's article, "Arts and the People: The New Deal Quest for a Cultural Democracy," appeared in the *Journal of American History* for September, 1975. Her "Art, Politics, and Censorship in the McCarthy Era" will be published in the June issue of the *American Historical Review*.

St. Augustine's College

Julius F. Nimmons, Jr., returned as chairman of the Division of Social Sciences on August 18. Added to the faculty as an instructor, effective October 1, was Douglas Gills.

Wake Forest University

Dr. W. Buck Yearns with Dr. Ezra Warner, recently published *Biographical Register of the Confederate Congress*. It was issued by the Louisiana State University Press. Reynolda House, Inc., and Wake Forest University, sponsored a lecture by Dr. Cyclone Covey, "Calalus: A Roman Jewish Colony in America from the Time of Charlemagne to Alfred the Great." The event was held at the Reynolda House.

State, County, and Local Groups

Beaufort Historical Association

Mrs. David Cloud, president of the organization, recently reported that the restoration grounds are open daily Monday through Saturday from 1:00 to 4:00 and on Sunday from 2:00 until 4:00. The association met jointly with the Carteret County Historical Research Association on October 28 to hear Dr. Larry Tise, director of the Division of Archives and History. Approximately fifty persons attended the evening meeting.

Bladen County Historical Society

The society's president, the Rev. Nash A. Odom, began teaching a class on local history and biography at the Bladen Technical Institute on October 7. The course ran for ten weeks.

Caldwell County Historical Society

The society met October 9 at the county library in Lenoir. Participants from Caldwell County who took part in the Overmountain March were special guests, and each gave a brief summary of his experiences. A hobby arts and crafts show was held November 3-6.

Catawba County Historical Association

On October 8 the association met to conduct its annual election of officers. Mrs. Rome Jones was reelected president, and the following were chosen to serve with her: Paul Wagner and Mrs. Fred Drum, vice-presidents; Mrs. George E. Mennen, secretary; Mrs. Ernest Crouch, treasurer; and Sidney Halma, director of the Catawba County Historical Museum. Mrs. Vivian P. Rankin of Conover, a charter member of the organization, is now eighty-eight years old; she was given a life membership in the association.

Chapel Hill Historical Society

On October 5 the society gave a welcoming party to members and guests. Archives and History Director Larry E. Tise spoke on the topic, "Aims and Goals of the Division." Mrs. Mary Jane Garner, a member of the North Carolina American Revolution Bicentennial Committee, spoke at the November 2 meeting of the society. She discussed state and local plans for the bicentennial. An appeal recently went out to members of the society to help officers and the Research and Preservation Committee find information for the society's permanent files. Old photographs and letters, information about old homes, registers of old graves, and other historical information is being sought. E. Frank Stephenson, Jr., spoke on work done by the Murfreesboro Historical Society when he addressed the Chapel Hill group on December 7.

Cleveland County Historical Association

Members of the association visited the new Cleveland County Museum the evening of October 27 to see the four partial displays which portray agriculture and early industry, freedom, religion, and family genealogy. Eventually there will be additional rooms on prehistory, government, education, and other topics. Thirteen junior and senior high school students from local schools reported on Revolutionary War soldiers for whom Shelby streets are named. A slate of officers was elected unanimously: Wyan Washburn, president; Dr. P. F. Hord, vice-president; Delores Hamrick, vice-president in charge of membership; Joe DePriest, vice-president in charge of public relations; Clara Greene, recording secretary; Mary Jane Wesson, corresponding secretary; Pansy Fetzer, treasurer; and various committee chairmen. A constitution committee, chaired by Robert Gidney, was appointed to update the constitution so as to include provisions for the museum. The association had 420 members last year.

Currituck County Historical Society

Mrs. Barbara Snowden, president, has announced plans for several bicentennial projects. Research is being done on references in county records to the jail, and plans call for landscaping the structure; the society is also going to build a stock and pillar in front of the building. A county history and a 1700 map of the county are among publications being issued by the society.

David Caldwell Log College, Inc.

The corporation is acquiring land on which the David Caldwell Log College stood in Guilford County. The immediate goal is to purchase the fourteen-to-fifteen acre site, which will be used as a memorial park. It is hoped that ultimately funds will be available with which to rebuild the structure. The college was established by David Caldwell prior to the Revolution and was for years the school at which many of North Carolina's leaders were educated. Officers of the corporation are Mrs. Carl O. Jeffreys, president; Mrs. Noel Garvin, vice-president; Mrs. E. A. McEachern, secretary; and Mrs. J. A. King, Sr., treasurer. Contributions should be sent to the David Caldwell Log College, Inc., in care of Mrs. King at P.O. Box 5483, Greensboro, 27403.

Halifax County Historical Association

Larry Misenheimer, head of the Interpretations Branch of the Historic Sites Section of the Division of Archives and History, was the featured speaker at the September 19 Halifax County Historical Association dinner. During a brief business meeting, at which time Mrs. Rom B. Parker, Jr., presided, announcement was made that Dr. Corbett Rushing, historian for North Carolina Wesleyan College, would be the speaker for the November meeting.

The association has two bicentennial projects: the construction of an amphitheater, which was begun the last of October, and the presentation of a pageant. Mark Sumner of Chapel Hill, director of outdoor dramas, approved the site for the amphitheater. The pageant is being written by Maxville Burton Williams, a Halifax County resident. Director will be Ira David Wood, native of the county. June 14 has been set as the opening night for the pageant, which will run for two weeks. Plans call for completion of the theater by April 12, at which time a preview of the pageant will be presented by Mr. Wood. The amphitheater will be part of the Historic Halifax complex.

Harnett County Historical Society

The members of the society met in the library at Lillington on September 29 at which time a film on the American Revolution was shown by Mrs. Margaret Randall, Harnett librarian. At a meeting on October 27 the society voted to reprint Malcolm Fowler's book, *They Passed This Way*, a history of Harnett County.

High Point Historical Society

The society's lecture series at the High Point Museum featured the Spring Marionette Theater from Raleigh on November 13 in its production of "Freedom's Apprentice." The story tells of issues and events leading up

to the American Revolution. The December 11 program featured the Hussite Bell Ringers of Winston-Salem; on that occasion the Haley House and the Blacksmith Shop were open with costumed guides offering explanations of the two restorations. Two lectures scheduled for spring will be presented on March 11 and on May 13. Gene Capps, director of the Department of Education and Interpretation at Old Salem, will speak first, taking as his topic, "The Outdoor Museum in America: Myths and Realities." Director Doug Waldorf of the Roanoke Island Historical Park will be the final speaker when he discusses "The Mystery of Roanoke Island—What Really Happened There?" Lectures are held in the museum on East Lexington Avenue in High Point.

Hillsborough Historical Society

The society's October 23 meeting was held in Strudwick Hall with Dr. Larry E. Tise, director of the Division of Archives and History, as speaker. He discussed ways in which local historical groups could pool their activities in order to increase their effectiveness. The Engstrom Award for outstanding work in helping the society obtain its objectives was presented to Mr. Alexander Shepherd. Mrs. Dirk Frankenberg, Dr. John Seelye, and Mr. Clarence Jones were elected directors at the October meeting. Speaker at the November 20 meeting was Miss Elizabeth Dahill, field researcher for the Museum of Early Southern Decorative Arts at Old Salem, who discussed furniture of Piedmont North Carolina and her methods of research. She concentrated her remarks on furniture of Orange County.

Historic Hillsborough Commission

"The Strudwicks, A Family of Artists" was the title of the Historic Hillsborough Commission's program on September 27 at Strudwick Hall in Hillsborough. Miss Evelyn Lloyd, who planned the program, assembled a collection of slides showing woodcarvings of Sheppard Strudwick, Sr. and pastel and oil portraits by his sons, Clement Strudwick and Edmund Strudwick III. Mrs. Ola Maie Foushee, talked on the artists as the slides were shown. Sheppard Strudwick, Jr., brother of Clement and Edmund, and a New York actor, was present. Miss Rebecca Bennehan Wall and Mrs. Robert J. Murphy contributed vignettes and reminiscences of the Sheppard Strudwick family. After the program an informal dinner, attended by old friends and neighbors, was sponsored by the commission as a welcome to Sheppard Strudwick, Jr., and other representatives of the family.

The commission and the Exchange Club of Hillsborough jointly sponsored a bicentennial program and marker dedication in memory of William Churton, who laid out the town of Hillsborough, on November 2 at the New Courthouse Plaza in Hillsborough. A band concert was presented by the Bicentennial Ensemble of the Orange County High School Band; Mr. Horace Powell, president of the Exchange Club, presided. Dr. Lawrence P. Wheeler, consultant on the staff of the North Carolina American Revolution Bicentennial Committee, participated as he designated Orange County an official National Bicentennial Community. Dr. Margaret Nygard, executive vice-president of the Association for the Preservation of the Eno River Valley, spoke on "William Churton: Pioneer Surveyor, Cartographer, and Citizen of Colonial Hillsborough." The memorial marker, a gift of the Exchange Club, was presented by Mr. Quentin W. Patterson and unveiled by Mr. E.

Wilson Cole. It was accepted by Mayor Fred S. Cates of Hillsborough and Mrs. Flora Garrett, chairman of the Board of Orange County Commissioners. The program concluded with selections by the Bicentennial Ensemble.

Historic Hope Foundation

A champagne buffet-musicale, held at Hope Plantation on September 12, brought in over $5,000 for the King House restoration. This house, built in 1763 by William King, was given to the foundation by Mrs. Adelaide B. Jenkins of Aulander and Mr. Henry L. Bazemore of Ahoskie, in memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Bazemore. The King House was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1971, and the foundation plans to move it to the Hope Plantation and eventually restore it and open it to the public as a house-museum. The foundation's annual membership drive is under way and tax-deductible dues are $5.00 per person. They should be mailed to the Historic Hope Foundation, Inc., P.O. Box 601, Windsor, 27983.

"Christmas at Hope" was held at Hope Plantation on December 14. The house was decorated with period decorations, which remained in place through the month of December.

Historical Society of North Carolina

The fall meeting of the society was held on October 17 at Duke University. The afternoon program consisted of a discussion of the oral history projects, given by Lawrence Goodwyn, director of the Duke University project, and by Jacqueline Hall, director of the program at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The presidential address, "The Relationship Between the Records Administrator and the Historian," was given after dinner by Dr. Mattie U. Russell. New officers of the society are Dr. Joseph F. Steelman of East Carolina University, president; Dr. Richard Zuber of Wake Forest University, vice-president; Dr. Durward T. Stokes of Elon College, treasurer; Dr. George Troxler of Elon College, secretary; and Dr. Burton F. Beers of North Carolina State University, council member.

Hoke County Historical Society

The society met October 25 for a tour of points of historical interest in the county. Beginning at the approximate site of the Raeford Institute Boarding School, which was begun in 1895, the tour proceeded to the site of a medical college founded by Dr. Hector McLean about 1850. Miss Caroline Parker gave a talk on the school. The tour stopped also at Bethel Church, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Gatlin, and at other points of interest. The Gatlin home was formerly owned by Dr. and Mrs. Dickson, one of the founders of the Raeford Institute.

Jones County Historical Society

The society met recently to hear a report by W. W. Wicks, chairman of the bicentennial committee. The group voted to sponsor the Tennessee Valley Authority's Bicentennial Caravan next April, and to invite schools in Jones and adjoining counties to participate. The society's president is Mrs. Austin Koonce.

Lee County Historical and Genealogical Society

A tour, which began at Buffalo Presbyterian Cemetery, was held for

members of the society on October 26. Various points of interest were visited including Chris Cole Road, where the oldest and largest known tree in Lee County stands. Stops were made at the Center Methodist Church, the old J. D. Spivey Store, Murchison Cemetery, and other points of historical interest in Lee County.

Lenoir County Historical Association

Kirt Fuller, intern historian with the Department of Natural and Economic Resources, discussed the history of Fort Macon at a dinner meeting of the association held on September 16. John McLean, president of the organization, presided. Several reports were given including one on progress being made on the renovation of the Booth Marston House and Harmony Hall.

Lower Cape Fear Historical Society

Speaker for the October 16 meeting of the society was John Leeds Barroll, whose topic was "The Idea of Humanities and the American Ideals." Augustus B. Moore, Jr., is president of the organization; Mrs. Paul Hendren, vice-president; Mrs. Tilghman Poole, recording secretary; Miss Peggy Hall, corresponding secretary; Joseph Howard, treasurer; Dr. Jackson Sparks, assistant treasurer; Mrs. Ida B. Kellam, archivist; and Mrs. Robert Walker, assistant archivist. Mrs. E. M. McEachern is immediate past president.

Mecklenburg Historical Association

New officers of the association are Mrs. James R. Nisbet, president; Mrs. Ernest B. Hunter, first vice-president; Miss Mary Louise Davidson, second vice-president; Mrs. Louise S. Thompson, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Ralfe Mesrobian, recording secretary; and Mr. William Berryhill, treasurer. Officers of Latta Place, Inc., which was formed from the Mecklenburg Historical Association for the restoration of the James Latta House, are Mrs. Lawrence Boggs, president; Mr. Philo Caldwell, first vice-president; Mrs. Carl Horn, second vice-president; Miss Elizabeth Williams, secretary; Mrs. Boyce Hunter, assistant secretary; and Mr. Miles Boyer, treasurer. At the October 22 meeting of the association, Mr. William J. Moore, director of the Greensboro Historical Museum, was the featured speaker. It was at this meeting that the officers were elected.

Montgomery County Historical Society

The society met at the Candor Methodist Church on October 24. The guest speaker, A. W. E. Capel, discussed Kentucky rifles.

Mordecai Square Historical Society

The society sponsored a rifle show and demonstration on October 26, featuring the Cross Creek Company of Riflemen, a fifteen-man unit from Fayetteville, and the Second North Carolina Regiment Afoot from Erwin. Both groups have participated in battle reenactments throughout the Southeast. The society sold herb prints and other items at a harvest festival November 2. Proceeds are being used for the Ellen Mordecai Garden.

Museum of the Albemarle

An art show was sponsored in October, with a reception for artists and

their guests, as well as members of the museum, on October 17. The annual Christmas exhibit of toys from the past, with a transportation theme, included a number of items borrowed from the North Carolina Museum of History. On December 14 the museum sponsored an open house, and on December 30 the Jerry Halliday Puppets were presented in "The Wizard of Oz."

North Carolina Presbyterian Historical Society

The fall meeting and tour of the society were held at Montreat and the surrounding area October 2 and 3. Dr. Kenneth J. Foreman, Jr., executive director of the Historical Foundation of the Presbyterian and Reformed Churches, arranged the program. On October 2 Dr. B. Hoyt Evans, executive secretary of the Asheville Presbytery spoke on the topic, "Should Presbyterians Look Back?" The group visited Montreat-Anderson and Warren Wilson colleges; the Blue Ridge Assembly; and Montreat, Friendship, Lakey Gap, Swannanoa, First Church Asheville, Weaverville, and Reems Creek Presbyterian churches; and the Zebulon B. Vance Birthplace State Historic Site.

Northwest North Carolina Historical Association

The fall meeting of the organization was held at Old Salem on November 1. Members of the five-county association discussed the possibility of inviting history buffs from four other counties to join the association. Original counties making up the group are Forsyth, Davie, Stokes, Surry and Yadkin, and the addition of Ashe, Allegheny, Wilkes, and Watauga counties was considered.

Old Salem

Twenty-five members of the Old Salem staff left September 29 for a three-week study tour to various European countries. Emphasis was placed on folk art, and the travelers visited museums in several countries. The tour also included a weekend at Königsfeld in the Black Forest, where there is a Moravian congregation.

Onslow County Historical Society

On November 19 the society met at Captain Charlie's in Swansboro. Members regularly meet the third Wednesday of each month, gathering at various restaurants in the area. New officers are Mrs. Isobel Boteler, president; Albert Venters, vice-president; Mrs. Margaret Ertel, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Elizabeth Higgins, recording secretary; and Hedrick Aman, treasurer. Persons interested in joining the organization should write to the society at Box 5203, Jacksonville, 28540, for further information.

Pasquotank Historical Society

Harry H. Thomas, superintendent of Elizabeth City-Pasquotank schools, spoke to members of the society on the subject "History of Education in Pasquotank County" at the annual banquet on September 25. E. O. "Jack" Baum, president, reported on the success of the third yearbook and announced that a few copies of all three volumes were still available. Certificates of appreciation were presented to Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Waldorf, Mrs.

Walter Spaeth, Mrs. C. C. Bell, Mrs. Edna Shannonhouse, and Mrs. Lou Overman.

Pinebluff History Book Committee

The committee has been authorized by the town of Pinebluff to publish a history of the Moore County community as a contribution to the bicentennial. Persons wishing to contribute toward this project should send checks, made out to the Pinebluff Bicentennial History Book Committee, in care of Cyril G. Cogswell, P.O. Box 363, Pinebluff, 28373. Persons contributing $10.00 or more will receive a copy of the book upon publication and will have their names printed therein.

Pitt County Historical Society

Dr. Larry E. Tise, director of the Division of Archives and History, spoke at the dinner meeting of the society in Greenville on October 15. Dr. Tise was introduced by Dr. Herbert Paschal, chairman of the Department of History at East Carolina University. Dr. Ralph Hardee Rives, president, outlined activities for the society's 1975-1976 year. On November 2 the members toured some of Pitt County's old churches, and on December 14 the annual Christmas party was held at the home of Mrs. Charles W. Harvey, Jr.

Randolph County Historical Society

The October 2 meeting was held at the Asheboro Public Library. Calvin Hinshaw of Julian spoke on the history of northeast Randolph County.

Rockingham County Historical Society

The society met October 14 at Rockingham Community College and elected Mrs. Lucy Rankin, Reidsville, president; Mr. George A. Atkins, Eden, vice-president; Miss Nancy Withers, Wentworth, secretary; and Mr. Wayne Parlier, Eden, treasurer. Mrs. Tempie H. Prince presided. The society voted to begin the publication of a semiannual journal of local history and genealogy beginning this spring. The journal will be the first of its kind to be published by a county historical society. Because of this decision, the society voted that membership dues would be $5.00 for an active membership; $8.00 for a family membership; $10.00 for a contributing membership; and up to $500 for a life membership. Dr. Lindley S. Butler gave a progress report, with slides, on the Wright Tavern restoration.

Society for the Preservation of Historic Oakwood

The society has published an attractive brochure outlining its themes and accomplishments. Oakwood is Raleigh's oldest residential neighborhood still intact. The society, begun in October, 1972, was successful in saving the area from an expressway which would have been built over the neighborhood. Oakwood's fourth annual Christmas tour was held December 13 and 14, and a number of homes in the area were open for the tour. Those interested in contributing to the work of the society should send their tax-deductible contributions to the Society for the Preservation of Historic Oakwood, P.O. Box 11137, Raleigh, 27604. K. Barry Poe is chairman of the board of directors.

Stanly County Historical Society

Mrs. Charles H. McSwain, president of the society, recently reported on efforts to preserve a block of West Main Street in Albemarle and to prevent destruction of historic structures located there. The first building on the street was the home of John S. Efird, founder of the Efird Mills in Albemarle, and the following old homes: the William B. Palmer House, James Marshall Harris House, the Ira A. Burleson House, the Jeff Hartsell House, the W. H. Morrow, Sr., House, and the George Peck House. These homes are now occupied for the most part by widows, and there is fear that the block will be taken over by commercial interests. Mrs. McSwain has deeded the James Marshall Harris House, which is now her home, to the Stanly Arts Council and Historical Society, Inc., with all museum pieces intact. A meeting was called for December 1 at the City Hall with the view of preventing the construction of a cement block building on this block of Albemarle.

Thomasville Historical Society

On September 22 the society met and decided to concentrate efforts on saving and restoring Thomasville's first railroad station. Earlier the organization had tried to preserve the larger passenger depot in Thomasville, but the members agreed that such a project was beyond its means. President James Hoover presided. The office part of the freight depot, which is more than 100 years old and is Thomasville's first ticket office, is the structure now designated for restoration.

Vance County Historical Society

The society met November 6 at the West End School. Miss Betty Dahill discussed the collection and identification of artifacts. She is a member of the research team employed by the Museum of Early Southern Decorative Arts located in Old Salem. John Mundy is society president.

Wachovia Historical Society

The society held its annual meeting and commemorative program in honor of Adam Spach and the Friedberg Community on October 21 at the Salem College Fine Arts Center. Dr. Edwin L. Stockton, Jr., is president; the Reverend Burton J. Rights, vice-president; Mrs. C. Eugene Stephenson, secretary; Mrs. Zachary T. Bynum, Jr., treasurer. Adam Spach was born in 1720 in Alsace, but came to North Carolina in 1754. He died in 1801, and his homeplace is now the property of the Wachovia Historical Society. The Moravian village of Friedberg was established in 1772. Persons interested in the restoration of the Adam Spach House should send contributions to the Rock House Fund, Wachovia Historical Society, Box 10667, Winston-Salem, 27108.

Wake County Historical Society

The society visited Meredith College on October 26 for a brief talk by Dr. Mary Lynch Johnson, who wrote the history of the college. The program was arranged by Mr. Grady Carroll, vice-president of the society.

Western North Carolina Historical Association

The third annual Oktoberfest Symposium was held on October 4 at the Smith-McDowell House in Asheville. The symposium provided a forum on the topic "Traditions in Transition—An Appalachian Viewpoint." The Asheville-Buncombe Technical Institute, which obtained a National Endowment for the Humanities grant through the North Carolina Humanities Committee, cosponsored the event. Speakers included former Gov. Robert W. Scott; Dr. Richard Bardolph of the Department of History at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro; Mayor Howard N. Lee of Chapel Hill; Dr. Charles H. Long of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; Mary Charles Griffin, a member of the Citizens Advisory Council on the Status of Women; Dr. Jacqueline Hall, director of the Southern Oral History Program, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; Dr. Cratis Williams of Appalachian State University; and Neil Whitmire Holtzclaw of Western Carolina University. On October 7 members of the association went to Kings Mountain to participate in a celebration of the anniversary of the victory of the Overmountain Men in the American Revolution battle there. The fall meeting was held on November 22 at St. Genevieve-Gibbons Hall school with Dr. Larry E. Tise as speaker. The association sponsored an antique and attic sale on November 21 and 22 with proceeds going toward the restoration of the Smith-McDowell House. The Thomas Wolfe Award was not made this year because books were submitted too late for consideration. These will be included in the 1976 contest.

Calendar of Scheduled Events

January "Month of Sundays" features Colonial Life. Each Sunday at 3:00, Museum of History

January 4,	Silversmith of Williamsburg
	The Colonial Printer
January 11,	A Town Called Bath
	Doorway to the Past
January 18,	Williamsburg: Story of a Patriot
	Eighteenth Century Life in Williamsburg
January 24,	American Revolution: Cause of Liberty
	American Revolution: Impossible War

February "Month of Sundays" will be called "Happy Birthday, Abe and George!"

February 1,	Abraham Lincoln: A Future President
	World Turned Upside Down
February 8,	Abraham Lincoln in Illinois
February 14,	Lincoln: Trial by Fire
February 22,	Meet George Washington
February 29,	City out of Wilderness
	George Washington and the Whiskey Rebellion

March 18-19, Seminar on Historical Publishing and Editing, Archives and History-State Library Building; for information write to Historical Publications Section, Division of Archives and History

March 21-23, Tryon Palace Symposium on Colonial Living and Decorative Arts, New Bern. Contact Tryon Palace, P.O. Box 1007, New Bern, 28560

April 11, Gardener's Sunday, Tryon Palace. All gardens open free to public

Questions from the Mail

Q. Will the Thomas Wolfe Memorial be open all winter?

A. Not this year. After the seventy-fifth anniversary celebration in October, the house was closed so that needed preservation work and the installation of new wiring, heating, and air conditioning could be done. In the spring of 1976, the memorial will reopen and begin year-round operation as a State Historic Site.

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Federation of Historical Societies Is Proposed

On December 3 a steering committee composed of Mrs. E. M. MacEachern, Dr. Harley Jolley, Dr. Dan Morrill, Mrs. Memory F. Mitchell, and Mrs. Joan Lashley met with Drs. Larry E. Tise and William S. Price, Jr., to discuss plans for the formation of a federation of North Carolina historical societies. They agreed that administrative liaison for such an organization would rest with the Division of Archives and History. They also suggested individuals who might comprise an advisory committee for the federation.

The steering committee agreed to the following proposal for membership:

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Gov. James E. Holshouser, Jr., issued a proclamation calling attention to North Carolina Museum of History Week, February 22-28. The proclamation was presented by Mrs. Holshouser, left, to Mr. John Ellington, museum administrator, right; it was obtained through the efforts of the recently organized North Carolina Museum of History Associates, whose president is Mrs. Thomas W. Steed, Jr., center. The North Carolina Museum of History Associates and the North Carolina Federation of Historical Societies are two new organizations in North Carolina. (Photographs by Division of Archives and History unless otherwise specified.)

From the Director's Desk...

Elsewhere in this issue of *Carolina Comments* readers will find information and news regarding two new organizations which have appeared recently to assist the Division of Archives and History in its mission to become a comprehensive historical agency for the people of North Carolina. Since I view the emergence of these two organizations as landmarks in the history of North Carolina history, I would like to call special attention to them. They are the Federation of North Carolina Historical Organizations and the North Carolina Museum of History Associates, Inc.

The Federation of North Carolina Historical Organizations is both a tangible promise on the part of the Division of Archives and History and a simple mechanism which will assure a closer cooperation between the state and those organizations pursuing the causes of history throughout the state. The federation will not, at present, be a separate legal entity, but will rather be under the guidance of an advisory committee made up of historical organization leaders and some staff members of the division. The advisory committee will guide the decision-making affairs of the federation. Details on the federation are included elsewhere in this issue.

The important point I would like to make about the federation is that it is a tangible promise that the Division of Archives and History will assist historical organizations in achieving whatever goals they may have. It is also a promise that if historical organizations will band together, the division will make a greater across-the-board effort to meet their joint and individual needs. The dues which are required of organizations participating in the federation will be used, under the direction of the advisory committee, to undertake projects, programs, or publications desired by the member organizations. I am most hopeful that the federation will be able to achieve things never before possible in the field of public history and encourage all historical organizations in the state to become fully involved.

The North Carolina Museum of History Associates, Inc., is a nonprofit corporation formed by a number of private citizens for the single purpose of assisting the North Carolina Museum of History to achieve its objectives of being a comprehensive historical museum for the state of North Carolina. It is definitely a citizen-based organization and is one that believes that history should be interpreted as broadly, accurately, and completely as possible. The members who constitute the board of directors have committed themselves to doing whatever is necessary to make the North Carolina Museum of History the best possible state historical museum in the nation.

Those who have been involved in the programs of the Museum of History are well aware that it has been suffering under great limitations for many years, especially when it comes to the purchase of artifacts, mounting of special exhibits, conducting of special public programs, and printing of exhibit catalogs. It is in these areas that the associates have directed their initial attention.

During the coming months the Museum of History Associates will be conducting a statewide membership campaign to involve North Carolinians by the thousands in the programs of the museum. Regional and local membership chairmen will be contacting individuals, organizations, and corporations concerning membership in the associates. Dozens of individuals in Raleigh and elsewhere have already organized for the task and will eventually contact many readers of *Carolina Comments* about membership.

I look upon the emergence of this corporation again as a promise on the part of the Division of Archives and History and a number of citizens to make the work of the division more comprehensive and more serviceable to the needs and interests of citizens. Time will tell how well the provisions of this promise can be carried out. But I regard the fact that we and others are tying to meet needs in this cooperative fashion as one of the most positive steps forward I could imagine. Speaking on behalf of the division, I will not be content until we can say that we are meeting the needs of history totally in the state of North Carolina. Although this may be an unachievable ideal, there is no reason why we should not strive to attain it.

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the primary benefit of membership in such an organization would be the establishment of a dialogue between large and small historical societies for the benefit of all. The organization would expedite coordination of the flow of information between the various historical societies in the state and the Division of Archives and History.

In addition to the benefits discussed above, member societies would receive 20 percent discounts on publications of the Division of Archives and History; 10 percent discounts on items sold by the Museum of History's sales desk, including Capitol copper jewelry; free exhibit catalogs; educational discount rate on photographic work; Kalvar duplication of county records microfilm at $5.00 per reel; group discount rates for tours of Tryon Palace; and free copies to individual members of a new information bulletin to be issued by the Division of Archives and History.

The Division of Archives and History would also establish a "Federation News" section in *Carolina Comments*, which would feature news of local historical societies and would designate federation members; hold an annual meeting of the federation in a workshop format, possibly each September; publish a directory of federation members; develop educational programs available for use at local society meetings; and develop a speakers bureau drawing on division staff as well as members of the federation.

Every historical society in the state is urged to take advantage of this unique opportunity to serve both the interests of history throughout North Carolina and its own interests as well.

Annual dues for membership will be: $50.00 for societies with 100 or more members; $35.00 for smaller societies; and $25.00 for commissions and similar organizations.

Old Newspapers Uncovered in England

Dr. Robert J. Cain, researcher for the Colonial Records Project from October, 1969, until August, 1975, unearthed in the Audit Office Papers at the Public Record Office in London nine early North Carolina newspapers not previously known to be extant. These are copies of the *State Gazette of North-Carolina* for January 12, February 23, and July 6, 1786, and January 18, 1787, published in New Bern by Arnett & Hodge; two pages of the January 6, 1785, edition of the *N. Carolina Gazette*, published in New Bern; the *North Carolina Gazette* for January 19, and February 2, 23, 1786, published in Hillsborough; and the March 29 [1786] issue of the *North-Carolina Gazette*, published in New Bern, probably for Martin & Co.

None of these appears in the listing of eighteenth-century North Carolina newspapers issued by the Division of Archives and History. The earliest known issue of the *State Gazette of North-Carolina*, prior to this, was dated October 4, 1787.

The papers are, with the exception of several torn places, in very good condition. Xerox copies have been made and sent from England; but microfilm copies, expected to be of better quality than the Xeroxed pages, will follow in due course.

Historical Publications Section Offices Moved

The Historical Publications Section was moved from the Archives and History-State Library Building to the old Records Center on the corner of North McDowell and West Lane streets early in February. Persons wishing

to confer with members of the staff about articles for the *North Carolina Historical Review* or other materials they are preparing for publication should go to the new offices at 120 West Lane Street, about four blocks from the Archives and History Building. The office of the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association was also moved. Mrs. Memory F. Mitchell, who is chief of the Historical Publications Section, is also secretary-treasurer of the Literary and Historical Association. Telephone numbers for the section and the association (829-7442 and 829-7443) were not changed.

Workshop on Historical Editing and Publishing Announced

The Historical Publications Section is offering a workshop on historical editing and publishing March 18-19. Registration will be limited to thirty-five people on a first-come, first-served basis. The schedule and a registration blank are given below so as to save the cost of mailing separate flyers to persons receiving *Carolina Comments*. Applications should be accompanied by the $10.00 fee, which will be used to defray the cost of the luncheon on March 19 and other workshop expenses.

Workshop on
Historical Editing and Publishing
March 18-19, 1976

March 18

9:00 Registration and coffee

9:35 Welcome—Mrs. Grace J. Rohrer, secretary, Department of Cultural Resources
Introductory Remarks—Dr. Larry E. Tise, director, Division of Archives and History

10:00 Why Publish?—Mrs. Memory F. Mitchell, historical publications administrator, Division of Archives and History

10:15 Preparing Copy for the Press—Miss Marie Moore, associate editor, *North Carolina Historical Review*, and historical publications editor, Division of Archives and History

11:15 Break

11:30 Finding Suitable Illustrations—Mr. J. R. Lankford, Jr., iconographic archivist, Division of Archives and History

12:30 Lunch

2:00 Layout and Design—Mr. Bill Ballard, University Graphics

2:45 Proofreading and Marking Proof—Mr. Robert G. Anthony, Jr., proofreader-indexer, Division of Archives and History

3:15 Break

3:30 Indexing—Mrs. Mary Reynolds Peacock, historical publications editor, Division of Archives and History

4:00 Producing a Book from Start to Finish (participants will divide into three groups)
Civil War Roster—Mr. Weymouth T. Jordan, Jr., editor, *North Carolina Troops, 1861-1865: A Roster*
The Colonial Records—Dr. Robert J. Cain, editor, *The Colonial Records of North Carolina, Second Series*
William Alexander Graham Papers—Mrs. Peacock

March 19

9:00 Newsletter Techniques—AASLH Cassette

9:30 How to Select a Printer and Technical Aspects of Printing—Mr. Mitchell Godwin, Division of Purchase and Contract, Department of Administration

10:15 Break

10:30 How to Copyright a Publication—Mrs. Marion T. James, secretary, Historical Publications Section, Division of Archives and History

11:00 Distribution and Sales—Miss Elizabeth F. Buford, marketing specialist, Division of Archives and History

12:00 Adjourn to North Carolina State University Faculty Club for lunch

12:30 Lunch

1:15 How an Author Works with an Editor—Mr. Richard Walser, author of *North Carolina Poetry, The Enigma of Thomas Wolfe, North Carolina Miscellany, The Black Poet, Literary North Carolina,* and other books; professor emeritus, Department of English, North Carolina State University

2:00 Tour of University Graphics (print shop)

Application for Registration

Name _____

Street, P.O. Box, or R.F.D. Route and Box Number _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Chief interest (Please check): As member of historical society _____

Librarian _____ History teacher _____ History student _____

Writer _____ Other (please specify) _____

Please include check for $10.00 made payable to "Historical Publications Workshop."

Old Silver, Book on Silversmiths Featured

On December 18 a display of old silver, including several pieces from the collection of the Museum of History, was featured at Jolly's Jewelers in Raleigh's Cameron Village. Copies of the Archives and History publication, *Silversmiths of North Carolina, 1665-1850,* were available for sale. Mrs. Mary Reynolds Peacock, who compiled and edited material for the 1973 revision of George B. Cutten's book on silversmiths, was on hand to autograph copies. She is shown above with a patron.

A&H Has New Assistant Director

On January 13 Dr. Larry E. Tise, director of the Division of Archives and History, announced that Diane T. Rose would assume the position of assistant director for preservation programs in an acting capacity. For several months she has been working with the Survey Branch of the Historic Preservation Section on an inventory of historic sites related to the history of blacks in North Carolina. Prior to that she worked for several years with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, an agency of the federal government, and with historical organizations and agencies in New York, Vermont, and other states.

Appointed to the position of acting chief of the Historic Preservation Section is Janet Seapker, who was promoted from the Survey Branch where she worked as a survey specialist for several years. In recent months she worked with the Coastal Resources Management Commission in implementing the historic preservation and conservation sections of the Coastal Area Management Act. The two vacancies were created when Bruce MacDougal resigned to accept a position with the New England Field Services Office of the National Trust for Historic Preservation in Boston. Mr. MacDougal, former chief of the Historic Sites Section, was made acting chief of the Historic Preservation Section and acting assistant director for preservation programs when Archives and History was reorganized the first of November of last year.

Robert M. Topkins, researcher in the Survey and Planning Branch, was promoted to the position of historical publications editor I in the Historical Publications Section, effective January 1. Mr. Topkins has a master's degree from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. He took the place of Miss Beth Crabtree, who retired at the end of December.

Mrs. Linda Pinkerton, a graduate of East Carolina University, recently joined the staff of the Archaeology Section as a secretary to handle work related to the environmental review process. Miss Susan Myers, a junior at Needham Broughton High School in Raleigh, is a second-year volunteer with the section; she does drafting and illustrating and helps with the laboratory work. Two Meredith College students are working as interns in the archaeology offices. Carol Pennell is doing archival research in wills and inventories from Halifax, attempting to relate these to materials recovered in archaeological excavations there. Lorraine Batchelor, a senior history major, is helping with the laboratory cataloging, preservation, and analysis of artifacts from various projects.

Historic Sites Managers Hold Two-Day Meeting

On November 17 and 18 managers of all the state historic sites and the historic sites staff from Raleigh met at Brunswick Town and Fort Fisher. Richard W. Sawyer, historic sites administrator, presided. There was discussion of the reorganization of the Historic Sites Section of Archives and History, its objectives, new staff positions, and personnel changes. Reports summarizing the activities of the various sites were presented by the site managers. Bob Hostetler, Cultural Resources comptroller, discussed new procedures for sales desk operations at the sites. The day concluded with a

Members of the staffs at the state's historic sites visited St. Philips Church, Brunswick Town, left, and the Marine Sciences Building at Fort Fisher, right.

tour of Brunswick Town, led by host Bill Faulk, followed by a fish fry-oyster roast prepared by Mr. Faulk of Brunswick Town, and the manager of Fort Fisher, Gehrig Spencer, and their staffs.

The following morning, the participants journeyed to Fort Fisher by ferry. They heard talks by the director of the Division of Archives and History, Dr. Larry E. Tise, archaeologist Kent Schneider, and underwater archaeologist Gordon Watts. The staff meeting ended with a tour of the new North Carolina Marine Science Resources Center, under the guidance of its director, Dr. Tony Clark, and a tour of the Fort Fisher site, including a look at the archaeological facilities there.

Deluxe Tour of Historic Sites Planned for May

May 9-15 are the dates set for a tour of historic sites in North Carolina, sponsored jointly by the National Trust for Historic Preservation and the North Carolina Historic Preservation Society. Beginning in Raleigh, the tour will proceed on May 10 to Chapel Hill, Hillsborough, Greensboro, and Winston-Salem. The next day, following a tour of Old Salem, the group will travel to Asheville, stopping in Hickory for lunch and to see the National Trust collection of furniture reproductions being manufactured by the Hickory Chair Company. The Thomas Wolfe House will be visited late that afternoon. On May 12, following a tour of the Biltmore House in Asheville, the group will journey to Wilmington; after a morning tour of Wilmington on May 13, the bus will proceed to Beaufort and then to New Bern. On May 14 there will be a morning tour of Tryon Palace and other New Bern restorations, a journey to Bath, and then to Williamston for an overnight stay. Tourists will proceed from Williamston to Edenton for a morning and then back to Raleigh by way of Tarboro.

The cost of the tour is $300 per person, with a $30.00 supplement for a single room. This includes transportation, four dinners, one luncheon, one cocktail party, admission fees, gratuities, taxes, and handling of baggage. In addition, a $100 tax-deductible contribution to the National Trust and a $50 tax-deductible contribution to the North Carolina Historic Preservation Society are required. Tour members are assured first-class accommodations throughout the trip. The right is reserved to cancel the tour if insufficient reservations are in hand by March 31.

Reservations should be made with Circle Tours, Inc., 4509 Creedmoor Road, Raleigh, 27612, accompanied by a deposit of $100 per person. The deposit is refundable if cancellation is made before March 25 or if the tour

is canceled. The remainder of the payment plus the contributions are due no later than March 31.

Preservation Conference Announced

The Historic Preservation Society of North Carolina and the Division of Archives and History have announced a two-day preservation conference entitled "Preservation-Planning-Profits." The conference, tentatively to be addressed by Governor Holshouser, will be held May 3 and 4 in Salisbury. Downtown neighborhood revitalization for residential as well as commercial areas will be discussed. Registration fee is $5.00. For further information write: Preservation Conference, Division of Archives and History, 109 East Jones Street, Raleigh, 27611.

National Register Entries

Placed on the National Register of Historic Places since the publication of the last issue of *Carolina Comments* are Locust Grove in Franklin County, left, and Buckner Hill House in Duplin County, right.

Darden Hotel, Martin County, left, and Latta Arcade, Mecklenburg County, right, are two additional entries. (Photograph of Latta Arcade by Gordon Schenck.)

Preservation Conferences Held

The annual Preservation Planning Conference for Public Officials was held February 8-11 in Alexandria, Virginia. In attendance were state historic preservation officers, state staff, federal representatives, public officials representing Community Development Block Grant communities and other municipalities. The Division of Archives and History was represented by

Dr. Larry E. Tise, Dr. Stephen Gluckman, Ms. Janet Seapker, Ms. Diane Rose, and Mr. Frederick Masseno.

The National Trust held the first national conference on tax policy on February 5-6, just preceding the Preservation Planning Conference, in Washington, D.C. Speakers included Dr. Robert E. Stipe, former director of the Division of Archives and History.

Workshop for Genealogists Attracts Many

On December 4-5 the Archives and Records Section conducted an Archives Workshop for Beginning Genealogists attended by more than eighty people. One participant flew from Texas for the session which included discussions of the County Court as an Institution, Wills and Estates Records, Census Records, Land Grant Records, Marriage Records, Tax Records, Military Records, Non-record Sources, and a new presentation on English Records of Use to Genealogists.

Participants are shown as they gathered for a lecture at the Archives Workshop for Beginning Genealogists, left, and at a coffee break, right.

Archives Accessions Records

Ninety-nine accessions entries were made by the Archives Branch during the three months September-November, 1975.

The Local Records Branch transferred original records from Ashe (109 boxes and 1 marriage bond), Durham (1 volume), Hyde (19 volumes), Nash (30 volumes), Perquimans (279 boxes and 3 volumes), Tyrrell (6 volumes), Union (22 boxes), and Wake (259 boxes, 2 folders, and 6 marriage bonds) counties and 3 pages of District Court Records of Wake County. Security microfilm from Bladen, Martin, Northampton, Pitt, and Wilson counties and Bladen, Caswell, Martin, Northampton, Pitt, Wake, and Wilson churches was also transferred. In addition, security microfilmed municipal records from Ayden, Clarkton, Greenville, White Lake, and Wilson were accessioned.

State agency records included the 1972 Robert W. Scott Extradition and Requisition files (11 boxes), minutes of the Board of Health, Division of Mental Health (1 reel microfilm), and records of the General Assembly Joint Appropriations Committee (1 volume).

New private collections were the Asa Biggs Journal (microfilm), the Roberta Blair Collection, the Stephen S. Burrill Diary (microfilm), the John Randolph Family Papers (microfilm), the Elias Ellis Robeson Papers (microfilm), the Peter B. Smith Papers, and three account books. Additions were made to the Rev. Bennett T. Blake Papers, the Josiah Collins Papers, the

May Thompson Evans Papers (3 cubic feet), the Hugh B. Johnston Collection, the McKay-Cromartie Papers, the Michaux-Randolph Papers, the Siamese Twins Collection, and the Richard Street Papers.

Organization records placed in the Archives were papers of the North Carolina Public Health Association and the O. Henry Book Club. Other accessions included 25 miscellaneous genealogies and Bible records; 1 volume of Alamance County cemetery records; 7 cassette recordings; a church history from Johnston County; 4 items added to the Slavery Papers; additions to the Military Collection for the Civil War, Spanish-American War, and Naval Papers; and 2 reels of miscellaneous microfilmed records.

Mitchell Book Presented

Miss Margaret Norton and Dr. Thornton W. Mitchell are shown at the brief ceremony held in Springfield, Illinois, on November 18, 1975, at which time the first copy of the book edited by Dr. Mitchell, *Norton on Archives: The Writings of Margaret Cross Norton on Archival and Records Management*, was presented to Miss Norton. (Photograph by Illinois Secretary of State.)

Tryon Palace Schedules Symposium

The eighth annual Tryon Palace Symposium on Colonial Living and Decorative Arts is scheduled for March 21-23 at the palace complex in New Bern. For information and reservations write to Tryon Palace, P.O. Box 1007, New Bern, 28560.

Visitation at Tryon Palace reached an all-time high in mid-December when the 1975 number totaled 50,000. This was the largest attendance in a single year since the restoration was completed and opened in 1959. In 1973 the total was 41,993, the second highest figure in the history of the restoration. On December 14, when the palace and grounds were opened to the public as a "Christmas outing," approximately 750 people responded.

Colleges and Universities

Campbell College

Financed by a grant from the North Carolina Humanities Committee, the first session of the third annual Harnett County Forum was held the evening of January 13. "North Carolina and the American Revolution: Private Rights and Public Good" was the topic, with Dr. H. G. Jones, curator of the North Carolina Collection at Chapel Hill, as speaker. The theme for the year's series was "Traditions in Transition: Private Rights and Public Good," according to the director, Dr. Vernon O. Stumpf, a member of the history faculty at Campbell.

Guilford College

Dr. Henry G. Hood participated on a January 13 television panel on the

significance of the Diebold-Schilling Chronicle. Included in the presentation were pictures of late medieval Switzerland on display at Guilford College; the program was sponsored by Ciba-Geigy Corporation.

Meredith College

Dr. Sarah M. Lemmon spoke on January 18 to the Wake County Historical Society on the topic "Women and the American Revolution."

North Carolina State University

Dr. Bernard W. Wishy spoke at Peace College in November on the "Influence of the French on the American Revolution." Dr. Doris E. King published "Bi-Centennial Essay" in *Hotel-Motel Management* for January and prepared an article on the "History of the Public Houses of the South" for the *Encyclopedia of Southern History*, to be published by the Louisiana State University Press in 1977. She is scheduled to speak on "The Colonial Tavern, Cradle of the American Revolution" at the spring meeting of the Organization of American Historians. Dr. King is serving as bicentennial chairman of the North Carolina Society of Colonial Dames; in that capacity she is speaking on behalf of the restoration of the Eagle Tavern at Halifax, which the society is supporting as a bicentennial project. Dr. Ronald H. Sack published *Records from Erech, 562-556 B.C.*, which is volume 16 in the Yale Oriental Series issued by the Yale University Press in 1976. Dr. William H. Beezley, who is coauthor of "Mexican Local Archives: San Esteban Parish, Saltillo, Coahuila," which was published in the *Americas* for July of last year, recently appeared on two major programs. At the December meeting of the American Historical Association in Atlanta he served as commentator for the session, "Revisionism in Mexican Historiography"; at the Washington meeting of the Southern Historical Association in November he commented on the session "Porfirian Origins of the Mexican Revolution."

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

The Southern Historical Collection at the university has received a grant from the Rockefeller Foundation to prepare a microfilm edition of the Penn School Papers. Work on the project will continue throughout 1976, and it is probable that the papers will not be available for research during most of the year. Scholars needing these manuscripts should write for information prior to making plans to visit the collection. Dr. Carolyn A. Wallace, director of the SHA, served as a member of the Finding Aids Panel of the third annual workshop of the Society of Georgia Archivists in Atlanta on November 20-21. She discussed finding aids for private papers. Two new library technical assistants at the collection in Chapel Hill are Susan Ballinger and Karen Luke Jackson. Catherine Bennington is part-time secretary.

University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Associate Professor Sandra T. W. Davis published an article "Ono Azusawakaki chishikijin to Meiji no 'Shida taise,' " in *Waseda gakuho*, number 11, 1975. Her book, *Intellectual Change in Political Development in Early Modern Japan*, was published this year by Associated University Presses under the sponsorship of Fairleigh Dickinson University. Frank W. Craven,

emeritus professor of colonial United States history at Princeton University, joined the staff of the Charlotte university the first of January as Robert Lee Bailey Distinguished Visiting Professor. The Department of History at the university has been elected to membership in Phi Alpha Theta; the chapter installation took place January 28.

University of North Carolina at Wilmington

Mr. John N. Haley is a lecturer at the university during the spring semester.

Wake Forest University

Dr. J. Edwin Hendricks spoke at the Stanly Technical Institute on November 18, taking as his topic "Unalienable Rights: Freedom of Speech, Assembly, Religion, and Press." Dr. David L. Smiley spoke on January 11 to the Baptist Campus Ministry in Winston-Salem on the subject of "The Religious Side of the Revolution" and on January 13 at Montreat-Anderson College in Montreat on "The American Revolution in Retrospect." On October 11 Dr. Cyclone Covey participated in the third Cultural Heritage Symposium at Lumpkin, Georgia, by discussing "Style as Metaphysics." Dr. James Howell Smith was recently appointed consultant to a project of Caldwell Community College on the preparation of "Multimedia Presentation on Public Morality and Contemporary Society." Elizabeth Murphrey joined the staff as visiting instructor on January 12.

Winston-Salem State University

Dr. Howard Barnes read a paper on "Competency Based History Instruction" at the December 29 meeting of the American Historical Association in Atlanta.

State, County, and Local Groups

Baptist Historical Collection

The collection recently microfilmed the diaries and other papers of Elder Robert William Hill of Stokes County, a Primitive Baptist elder, 1818-1884. Bonlee Baptist Church had its church records microfilmed by the collection late in 1975.

Beaufort County Historical Society

The society, with the Historic Properties Commission, sponsored "Christmas in Old Washington" on December 14. Historic homes and landmarks were visited by more than 300 people; a typical southern buffet was served at Havens House; and yaupon tea and cookies were served at a bazaar. The society cleared approximately $700 through ticket sales, with proceeds being used for historic preservation.

Catawba County Historical Association

The Christmas meeting of the organization was held December 10 in Newton. Judge Wilson Warlick, lifelong resident of the county, reminisced about life in the county in the early years of this century. A social period

followed the program. Life membership certificates were awarded to several people at the December meeting of the group, including Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Clapp, Mrs. Glenn Long, and Mr. and Mrs. George Mennen.

Chapel Hill Historical Society

On January 11 Dr. William W. McLendon, chairman of the Department of Hospital Laboratories, North Carolina Memorial Hospital, and professor of pathology, spoke on "Dr. 'Billy' MacNider of Chapel Hill and the Medical World." Dr. MacNider was formerly dean of the medical school at Chapel Hill. A bicentennial project of the society will be an inventory of historical photographs, to be conducted under the chairmanship of Mrs. Frances Venable Gardiner.

Chapel Hill Preservation Society

Mrs. Edwin Preston, president, announced recently that a grant of $15,000 had been awarded to the society from the Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation. The money will be used to defray renovation costs of the Horace Williams House. The society has been working with the University of North Carolina in restoring the house to its original octagon shape; the house will be used as a community center for display of cultural arts and education in that field.

Currituck County Historical Society

The society sponsored an arts and crafts contest for students from Currituck County based on the theme "Life in Currituck, 1776," and entries were displayed at the Currituck Public Library at Barco in January. Included in the display was a sugar bowl which once belonged to Gov. Thomas Jordan Jarvis, a native of Currituck County; the bowl was presented to the society by Mrs. Oscar Symons.

Edgecombe County Historical Society

An exhibit of chairs and benches made by Mr. Wright Horne was displayed at the Pender Museum on January 4; the event was sponsored by the society and attracted a large attendance. Mr. Horne was present to discuss his work and answer questions. Several additional craft exhibits will be sponsored by the society during 1976.

Gaston County Historical Society

The November 14 meeting was held at the Dallas Courthouse with Mrs. Richard Penegar of the Bicentennial Museum Committee as guest speaker. She displayed puppets and a puppet stage donated by the Junior Service League of Gastonia which will be placed in the museum. W. N. Craig, president, presided.

Granville County Historical Society

Michael Southern of the Division of Archives and History was guest speaker when the society met on December 6. He showed slides of some of the early Granville County homes.

Halifax County Historical Association

The association met at Enfield United Methodist Church November 20 to hear Corbitt Rushing, associate professor of political science at North Carolina Wesleyan College. E. Frank Stephenson, Jr., gave a slide presentation on the restoration of Murfreesboro at the January 13 meeting.

Harnett County Historical Society

The society is promoting the sale of Malcolm Fowler's book, *They Passed This Way*, which it is reprinting. Delivery is expected by April 1, and persons interested in buying this county history should send $8.00 to Hewitt A. Brown, Jr., secretary of the Harnett County Historical Society, P.O. Box 9018, Buies Creek, 27506.

Hillsborough Historical Society

Dr. Robert M. Calhoon of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro spoke February 19 on Tory activities in and near Hillsborough during the American Revolution. Miss Elizabeth Dahill, field researcher for the Museum of Early Southern Decorative Arts, who spoke at the November meeting, returned to Hillsborough in early January for a three-week investigation of early decorative arts in the area. She photographed southern furniture, silver, paintings, etc., made before 1820.

Historic Hope Foundation

The foundation was recently given the Jenkins property on Granville Street in Windsor by Mr. and Mrs. Joe Henry Jenkins and Wayland Lawrence Jenkins, Jr., in memory of their uncle, the late Charles H. Jenkins, one of the earliest automobile dealers in his section of the state. Dr. and Mrs. Collinson P. E. Burgwyn of Newport News, Virginia, gave the foundation a walnut corner cupboard made in the Roanoke River Valley area of North Carolina at the end of the eighteenth century; formerly the piece was on loan to Hope, and it is on display in the dining room. Officers of the Historic Hope Foundation for 1976 are John E. Tyler, president; Harry L. Thompson, vice-president; Mrs. Harlon O. White, secretary; and Mrs. E. Rawls Carter, treasurer.

Historic Murfreesboro Commission

Gov. James E. Holshouser, Jr., recently named five new members and reappointed one member to the Historic Murfreesboro Commission. Terms of these individuals will expire March 7, 1980. Mrs. Lindsay S. Newsom of Roanoke Rapids was reappointed; new members are Dr. A. A. Fahrner of Greenville, James Hill III of Elizabethtown, Frank M. Kimbrough, Sr., of Roxboro, Mrs. Barbara Gilliam of Windsor, and Harry L. Thompson of Windsor.

Historic New Bern Foundation

A tour of old homes will be sponsored April 23-24 by the foundation and the New Bern-Craven County Bicentennial Commission. Over fifteen outstanding private homes of the eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries

will be open. Tryon Palace gardens are also included in the ticket. Other extras include seven churches listed on the National Register of Historic Places and the lodge rooms of the historic Masonic Temple. Tickets, which are $8.00 each, are available from Old Homes Tour, P.O. Box 1007, New Bern, 28560. Proceeds will go to the nonprofit Historic New Bern Foundation for the use of preservation projects.

Historic Wilmington Foundation

Guest speaker at the January 23 meeting was Mr. Leopold Adler II, a member of the Board of Trustees of the National Trust for Historic Preservation and an active leader in the Historic Savannah Foundation. For four years he was a vice-president of the Georgia foundation and served as its president for six years during the decade 1959 to 1969. He gave a slide program on historic Savannah.

Johnston County Genealogical Society

The society met November 18 at the public library of Johnston County and Smithfield with Dr. Larry E. Tise as guest speaker.

Lenoir County Historical Association

Marion Parrott spoke to members of the association November 18, discussing the importance of the area and of the South in the Revolution. He was introduced by Dr. Robert Gilbert, vice-president of the association. John McLean presided. Mrs. Elsie Cole, president of the Kinston Collectors, presented a check for $300 to the association to be used for the society's preservation projects.

Lower Cape Fear Historical Society

The second annual Old Wilmington by Candlelight tour was held December 14. Refreshments were served at the Zebulon Latimer House and at the Salvation Army Church Doll Show. Tickets for the tour, which were $5.00, entitled visitors to go through a large number of historic houses and churches, including the Burgwin-Wright House, the Williams-MacMillan House, the Hathaway-Boney House, the Richards Price House, the Empie House, the Ellen Savage Waddell House, the Fanning House, the Zebulon Latimer House, the Bridgers-Emerson-Kenan House, and several buildings now used for various purposes. Included in the latter group were the David Reid Murchison House, which houses offices of the Episcopal Diocese of East Carolina; the Dudley House, which is headquarters for the Historic Wilmington Foundation; and St. John's Art Gallery, originally St. John's Masonic Lodge.

Maxton Historical Society

A tour was sponsored by the society December 7, with stops at some of the oldest homes in Maxton. The tour began at the Gilbert Patterson Memorial Library.

Mecklenburg Historical Association

E. Frank Stephenson, Jr., of Murfreesboro, was the association's guest speaker at the January 19 meeting. Persons interested in joining the association should write to Mrs. James Robinson Nisbet, the new president, at P.O. Box 4032, Charlotte, 28204.

Mint Museum of Art

Stuart C. Schwartz was recently named curator of history at the museum. He will oversee completion of facilities at the Hezekiah Alexander House and will supervise installation of exhibits and collections for a museum of history. Mr. Schwartz was formerly an archaeologist with the Division of Archives and History.

Moore County Historical Society

Dr. Larry E. Tise spoke at the November 16 meeting of the society, held in the library at Carthage. Capt. Sherman W. Betts, president, presided. Reports were heard on the Bryant House, the Antiques Fair, and the Shaw House tea room.

Mordecai Square Historical Society

The society presented a lecture and demonstration of tapestry hooking on December 2 at the Mordecai House, featuring Mrs. Isabel Brooker of Raleigh. "Needlework II" is the title of the second section of the biennial needlework show sponsored by the society. Featured are quilt squares submitted by any persons desiring to participate; they were stripped together and quilted by volunteers. After display, the quilts will be displayed and sold, with proceeds being used for historic preservation.

Onslow County Historical Society

The annual Christmas party was held December 17. Mr. Tucker Littleton and Mrs. Roscoe Taylor discussed the county's past; and County Manager Tim Wood and Sheriff Tom Marshall discussed the present and the future.

Pasquotank County Historical Society

At its November meeting the following officers were elected: Gerald White, president; Cecil Raper, vice-president; Alvin McPherson, secretary; Lennie Hughes, treasurer; and Mrs. Norman K. Shannonhouse, historian. On December 16 the society held its Moravian Feast at Cann Memorial Presbyterian Church, with Dr. and Mrs. Clifford Bair in charge.

Randolph County Historical Society

Brent D. Glass discussed the historic industrial sites along the Deep River at the January 8 meeting of the society.

Rockingham County Historical Society

The society met January 11 to view a film, "Williamsburg—The Story of a Patriot." Plans previously announced with regard to publication of a journal

of local history and genealogy are being carried out, and a publication schedule of April and October has been established. Articles under consideration for publication include those of the county's contribution in the Revolution, abstracts of church records, abstracts of county court minutes, Rockingham's participation in World War II, and a history of the attempted settlement of the town of Jackson. The publication committee welcomes submissions on Rockingham County subjects.

Stokes County Historical Society

The society has embarked on a campaign to raise funds for the preservation of the Rock House, built around 1770. The structure was used as a fortress for patriot militiamen during the Revolution. The society hopes to stabilize the ruins and develop a nature park on the site.

Surry County Historical Society

The society is continuing work on restoration of the Franklin House; but to proceed with its plans, additional funds and members are needed. A membership drive was conducted in December, with a slide presentation being shown to various groups around the county. The society recently obtained the services of a part-time historic preservation planner through the Yadkin Valley Economic Development District.

Washington County Historical Society

In cooperation with the Washington County Bicentennial Festivals Committee and Somerset Place State Historic Site, the Somerset mansion was the setting for the annual Christmas candlelight reception held December 21.

Western North Carolina Historical Association

The first meeting of 1976 was held at Warren Wilson College on January 24. Dr. Francis P. Hulme and Mrs. Frances A. McDowell told something of the history of the college and the Smith-McDowell House. A short business meeting was also conducted; the organization's president is Lt. Col. Mack White of Asheville. Persons interested in joining the association should send $4.00 to Dr. Richard W. Iobst, WNCHA Treasurer, Cullowhee, 28723.

Calendar of Scheduled Events

March 18-19, Workshop on Historical Editing and Publishing, Raleigh
March 21-23, Tryon Palace Symposium on Colonial Living and Decorative Arts, New Bern
April 23-24, Tour of Old Homes, Historic New Bern Foundation
April 29-30, Two-day preservation conference, "Preservation-Planning-Profits," sponsored by the Division of Archives and History and the Historic Preservation Society of North Carolina
May 9-15, National Trust and Historic Preservation Society tour of historic sites
May 15-16, May Festival Tour of Homes, Wilmington, sponsored by the Historic Wilmington Foundation

"Month of Sundays," each Sunday at 3:00, Museum of History:

March 7 "American Parade: We the Women"
Introduction to the American women's movement

"A Doll's House"
Drama based on play by Henrik Ibsen

March 14 "Emerging Woman"
Documentary depicts historical overview of women in the United States

"Helen Keller in Her Story"
Remarkable documentary traces Miss Keller's life from birth to age seventy-six

"Helen Tamiris: Negro Spirituals"
Five solo dances based on Negro spirituals created and danced by Miss Tamiris

"Mrs. Cop"
Story of Mary Ellen Abrecht, police sergeant in Washington, D.C.

March 21 "Women"
Dramatization of George Bernard Shaw's relationships with many women. Gives insight into how his attitudes on women were formed

"The Women"
Based on play by Claire Boothe starring Norma Shearer, Joan Crawford, and Rosalind Russell

March 28 "Women's Rights in the U.S.—An Informal History
Social history of women's rights; surveys conditions and movements, fashions, employment, education

"Antonia: A Portrait of the Woman"
Judy Collins presents an affectionate portrait of Antonia Brico, orchestra conductor

April 4 "Story of My Life"
Re-creates life of Hans Christian Andersen

"Robert Frost"
Frost "stars" in this documentary depicting his life

"Washington Irving's World"
Documentary of Irving's life

"Edgar Allan Poe"
Traces life of Poe depicting his achievements and personal tragedies

"James Weldon Johnson"
Views the life of the black poet, musician, teacher, and consul

April 11 "Alvin Ailey: Memories and Visions"
Features black dancer and choreographer, Ailey and the Alvin Ailey City Dance Theatre

"They Call It Pro Football"
Depicts the world of pro football from its beginnings to the present

"Sticky My Fingers, Fleet My Feet"
Humorous account of group of middle-aged men who invite a fifteen-year-old boy to join their Sunday afternoon touch football game

April 18 "Stagecoach"
Parable of the old West, directed by John Ford, starring John Wayne

April 25 "Desert Fox"
Biography of German Field Marshall Erwin Rommel, directed by Henry Hathaway, starring James Mason as Rommel

Questions from the Mail

Q. Can I get an old family document laminated by the State Archives?
A. Yes. The document should be mailed in a flat package with the contents protected by cardboard; it should be sent by certified mail. A schedule of fees is available upon request to the State Archives.

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Plans Announced for Institute of Applied History

On February 20, 1976, at a meeting in Raleigh sixteen college and university departments of history joined with the North Carolina Division of Archives and History in forming the North Carolina Institute of Applied History. A model program designed to examine and teach various applications of history in American society, the IAH will begin operations in September, 1976. On the planning boards for nearly two years, the IAH will offer a broad program to meet some of the most urgent problems facing historians today—particularly a rapidly shrinking job market. It will provide opportunities for students of history and professional historians to develop knowledge of and application for the discipline of history.

Among the chief objectives of cooperating in the creation of the IAH, according to Dr. Larry E. Tise, director of the Division of Archives and History, is to "provide an opportunity for historians and students of history to develop expertise, knowledge, and talents for jobs which ought to be filled by historians." Disturbed by the fact that in recent years many positions which deal with historic preservation, the operation of historical museums, the development of historic sites, the management of public and archival records, and consultation on a wide range of historical projects and programs have been taken over by individuals not trained in the study and interpretation of history, Tise and other administrators of the Division of Archives and History began studying ways to relate abstract history to concrete social needs. Following more than a year of discussions with historians throughout North Carolina, the Division of Archives and History decided to provide an organizational mechanism to relate its broad-ranging historical programs to the work of academic historians throughout North Carolina. The IAH was the result.

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Notice on Budgetary Restrictions

Because of a budgetary freeze announced by Governor Holshouser on February 26, 1976, many of the programs and activities of the Division of Archives and History are likely to be restricted severely for the duration of the 1975-1976 fiscal year. Readers and patrons of the programs of the division should check with program heads within the division on the impact of the budget restrictions prior to making plans to travel to Raleigh. Other notices concerning the curtailment of specific services appear within.

From the Director's Desk...

As this issue of *Carolina Comments* goes to press, there is a great deal of uncertainty regarding the budgetary future of certain programs during the duration of the current fiscal year. While the full impact of the crisis is not clear at the moment of this writing, it is quite clear that in none of the programs of the Division of Archives and History will we be able to respond with services of the level traditionally characteristic of this agency. Since the budgetary freeze imposed by the governor on February 26 affected particularly the purchase of supplies and equipment, travel, contractual services, and almost all operational funds, it will be quite difficult for the division to deliver services at previous levels. And since the chairmen of the appropriations committees of the General Assembly have indicated already that the budget for the second year of the biennium will have to be cut by 6 percent, the uncertainty will continue beyond July 1. Readers and patrons will be notified as quickly as possible of alterations in programs and services in meeting the crisis.

While the crisis is disconcerting to this agency, as it certainly must be to all agencies of state government, I would like to indicate to all readers and patrons that the staff of the division will continue to deliver within the limitations the highest quality and professional services possible. At the same time, all of the staff and administration of the division will be seeking other mechanisms and other funding sources to permit the program of the division to continue at an optimal level.

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Perhaps a time of budgetary crisis is just the time to announce the formation of the Institute of Applied History. While the announcement of many new programs in government herald a new expenditure of tax resources, the Institute of Applied History does not. The institute is—at least initially—an agreement between the Division of Archives and History and as many colleges and universities in North Carolina as choose to belong to cooperate in the examination and promotion of ways to apply history to social needs. Rather than calling for a new building and a host of new staff, the institute is a mechanism whereby the maximal profit can be derived from sharing existing resources. Most of the resources relate to the thought processes of historians and historical technicians throughout the state.

It has been my observation that historians very rarely involve themselves in examining the ways in which their discipline can answer public needs. At the same time archivists, museologists, archaeologists, architectural historians, and others who deal with the material of our history have little opportunity to evaluate the relationship of the historical materials they are handling to the discipline of history. Still at the same time the public is crying out for professionals who can help them deal with the problems of historic preservation, of publishing county histories, of preserving artifacts and documents, and indeed of instilling a sense of history in the communities of the state. While it may be somewhat idealistic to presume that the Institute of Applied History can meet all of these needs simply through cooperation, I choose to be quixotic enough to believe that it will provide a mechanism and a forum through which many of them can be abated to manageable proportions.

A word of thanks is in order for the historians and their institutions who have chosen thus far to join in the creation of the institute.

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"When the IAH is fully operational," Tise told the representatives of history departments, "we should be able to bring together history with the needs of society, the professional historians with the historical technician, and the community of historians with the communities of North Carolina." Historians will be provided an opportunity to relate their knowledge and expertise to North Carolina communities, and communities will be able to have access to a corps of historians who are capable of dealing with community needs whether they relate to traditional problems of interpreting history or to helping a community understand and preserve its history.

The academic program of the Institute of Applied History is unlike any other currently in operation anywhere in the country. Both practical and comprehensive, it combines the resources of the North Carolina Division of Archives and History and its 227-member staff with those of college faculty from inside and, occasionally, from outside the state. At IAH facilities in Raleigh, or on the campuses of participating schools, the institute will offer instruction in applied history subjects ranging from historical archaeology to historic site development. The academic program includes courses for undergraduates, graduate courses which can lead to a Master of Arts in history from North Carolina State University, and short, noncredit courses offered to interested persons as part of summer workshops.

In addition to its academic activities, the IAH will stimulate professional research and publications in applied history fields. Under the direction of an advisory editorial committee and the auspices of the division, the IAH will eventually publish an information bulletin and a quarterly journal or annual hardcover series.

The core of this institute program, and one of its most innovative features, is a provision for student internships at the Division of Archives and History or with public and private agencies in local communities. Planned in conjunction with courses, internships will give students practical experience. As agencies and communities learn the innumerable ways in which historians can help them, many internships will develop into permanent positions. Thus as the IAH program develops, urban areas across the state will benefit from the services of a new team of workers: historical consultants, restorationists, architectural historians, and historical archaeologists, among others.

While this venture is a bold one, it holds the promise of great rewards for the communities and citizens of the state of North Carolina as well as the historical profession. Various kinds of grants are being sought to insure a wider early success for the IAH.

Historical Markers Approved

The North Carolina Highway Historical Marker Advisory Committee, meeting on November 21, 1975, and January 16, 1976, approved the following markers: WESLEYAN FEMALE COLLEGE, Hertford County; U.S.S. MONITOR, Dare County; GEORGE H. WHITE, Craven County; "PROMETHEUS," Onslow County; FORT HANCOCK, Carteret County; ST. STEPHEN A.M.E. CHURCH, New Hanover County; ST. MARK'S, New Hanover County; BOUNDARY HOUSE, Brunswick County; U.N.C. AT WILMINGTON, New Hanover County; JACOB HOLT, Warren County; CORNWALLIS, Nash County; THOMAS DAY, Caswell County; HENRY

P. CHEATHAM, Granville County; B. EVERETT JORDAN, Alamance County; FRATERNITY CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN, Forsyth County; McKNIGHT'S MEETING HOUSE, Forsyth County; LUTHER H. HODGES, Rockingham County; BEAN SHOALS CANAL, Stokes County; GREAT WAGON ROAD, Forsyth County; FRIES MANUFACTURING AND POWER CO., Forsyth County; NISSEN WAGON WORKS, Forsyth County; R. J. REYNOLDS, Forsyth County; ROCKY RIVER CHURCH, Anson County; U.N.C. AT CHARLOTTE, Mecklenburg County; MINT MUSEUM OF ART, Mecklenburg County.

The members of the advisory committee are: Professor Luther W. Barnhardt, North Carolina State University; Dr. Herbert Paschal, Jr., East Carolina University; Dr. Henry S. Stroupe, Wake Forest University; Dr. Richard L. Watson, Jr., and Dr. Robert F. Durden, Duke University; Dr. Frontis W. Johnston, Davidson College; Dr. Max R. Williams, Western Carolina University; Dr. Hugh T. Lefler, Dr. H. G. Jones, and Professor William S. Powell, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Professor Powell serves as chairman of the committee.

Carrboro Site Added to National Register

The only property entered on the National Register of Historic Places since the publication of the March issue of *Carolina Comments* is the Alberta Mill Complex in Carrboro, Orange County. Though there had been talk of demolishing the mill for a shopping center, plans are now under way to develop the mill building itself into a shopping area. The railroad station next door (also nominated) is being adaptively used as a restaurant.

Alberta Mill Tower. (Photographs by Division of Archives and History unless otherwise specified).

Sheridan Wins Bicentennial Contest

The North Carolina Bicentennial Article Contest was won by Professor Richard B. Sheridan of the University of Kansas for his article, "The West Indian Antecedents of Josiah Martin, Last Royal Governor of North Carolina." An award of $250 is being given by the North Carolina Bicentennial Committee to the winner, and his article will appear in a forthcoming issue of the *North Carolina Historical Review.*

Three new titles in the North Carolina Bicentennial Pamphlet Series are *The Revolutionary War Sketches of William R. Davie,* by Blackwell P. Robinson; *The Loyalist Experience in North Carolina,* by Carole W. Troxler; and *The Coming of the Revolution in North Carolina, 1763-1776,* by Lindley S. Butler. These are available from the North Carolina American Revolution Bicentennial office for $1.50 each; they will be reviewed in the *North Carolina Historical Review.*

"Pig in a Poke" and Other Sales Offered

As part of the move of the offices of the Historical Publications Section from the Archives and History-State Library Building to the old Records Center, the stock of books and pamphlets was rearranged and inventoried. In cleaning out the warehouse area used for storage, a limited number of several older titles was found. These books and pamphlets are being offered on a first-come, first-served basis to individuals, not to dealers. When the supply of one title is exhausted, the right is reserved to substitute another publication of equal or greater value. Most of the following are available in very limited quantities:

Mattie Erma Parker, *Money Problems of Early Tar Heels,* 25¢

Lemuel Sawyer, *Blackbeard. A Comedy in Four Acts.* (Facsimile, introduction by Richard Walser), 50¢

Cordelia Camp, *The Influence of Geography upon Early North Carolina,* 50¢

Lucy London Anderson, *North Carolina Women of the Confederacy,* 50¢

Hugh F. Rankin, *Upheaval in Albemarle: The Story of Culpeper's Rebellion,* 50¢

William S. Powell, *Patrons of the Press: Subscription Book Purchases in North Carolina, 1733-1850* (reprinted from Autumn, 1962, *North Carolina Historical Review*), 50c

Williams S. Powell, *The Carolina Charter of 1663* (hardcovers), $2.00

Glenn Tucker, *Front Rank,* $2.00

Several additional pamphlets will be included free of charge with each order so long as the supply lasts.

The previously announced special sale of ten volumes, an $87.00 value for $15.00, is being continued as a " '76 Sale": the five volumes of *The Papers of Willie P. Mangum,* the first three volumes of *The Papers of William Alexander Graham, The Poems of Governor Thomas Burke of North Carolina,* and *The Journal of the House of Burgesses of the Province of North Carolina.*

Persons having an insatiable curiosity and a bit of the gambler in their makeup might be interested in ordering a "pig in a poke." These packages will contain a variety of publications worth at least $10.00; they will be sold for $3.00.

Check titles from the list above, order the " '76 Sale," or send in an order for a "Pig in a Poke." Address any of these to Historical Publications Section, Division of Archives and History, 109 E. Jones Street, Raleigh, 27611. Be sure to include name, address, and zip code. *Because of the current budgetary crisis, no invoicing will be done on any of these sale orders. Include check or money order and add 50 cents to help defray the costs of postage and handling.*

Several of the participants who attended the first Workshop on Historical Publishing and Editing, March 18-19, are shown in the picture above, left. Left to right, they are David R. Taylor of Havelock, Harley Jolley of Mars Hill, Flave Spencer (back to camera) and Betty Mann of Fairfield, and Cynthia B. Mills of High Point. Miss Marie D. Moore, historical publications editor, is shown, right, displaying galley proof for the *North Carolina Historical Review*. Attendance was limited to thirty-five. Approximately twenty people are on a waiting list for the next workshop.

Saturday Hours in Search Room Discontinued

Because of budgetary restrictions and the inability to add temporary help during the summer months, the Archives Search Room will be closed on Saturdays, beginning Saturday, June 5, 1976. It is hoped that Saturday hours may be resumed in October, 1976, but the exact date is still uncertain.

Advanced Research Institute Canceled

The Archives Institute for Advanced Researchers, scheduled to be held May 24-28, by the North Carolina State Archives has been canceled for 1976. The institute has been supported by the Division of Archives and History through the assignment of personnel although "out-of-pocket" expenses have been paid from the fee charged participants. Because of the fact that additional personnel will not be assigned to the Archives Search Room during the busy season beginning in May, the personnel time usually assigned to the institute cannot be diverted from regular assignments.

Archives Search Room Requests Help

Because of budgetary restrictions, the Archives Search Room asks that persons sending inquiries by mail send a self-addressed, stamped envelope with the request.

In connection with the Search Room security system, patrons on their first visit are required to present identification. A number of persons have arrived at the Search Room without any kind of identification, and it has been necessary to deny them admission. Students, graduate students, faculty members, and the general public should be prepared to identify themselves upon their arrival at the State Archives on their initial visits.

Archives Accessions Records

A total of sixty-four accessions entries were made by the Archives Branch during the period December, 1975, through February, 1976.

The Local Records Branch transferred original records from Salisbury District Superior Court (3 boxes) and from Buncombe (5 volumes, 10 boxes), Craven (14 volumes), Hyde (7 boxes), Montgomery (4 items), and Rowan (61 boxes) counties as well as security microfilm of records from Randolph, Person, and Wayne counties. Miscellaneous microfilm from the clerk of superior court's office in each of the 100 counties was also received. Security film was also transferred of Onslow, Person, and Wayne church records and from Goldsboro and Roxboro.

State agency records included Gov. Robert W. Scott's press secretary's files (3 boxes), records of Gov. James E. Holshouser's office, 1974 (72 cubic feet), Prison Director's Subject File, 1953-1956 (4 cubic feet), and records of the Division of Archives and History (10 cubic feet and 2 reels).

New private collections were the Caswell and Fonville Account Book, the Richard Benbury Creecy Papers, the Jesse Franklin Collection, the Ben Owen Collection, Recipe Books, 1802-1860 (microfilm), the Charles Thacker Papers, and two miscellaneous account books. Additions were made to the William Gaston Papers, the Albert Timothy Outlaw Papers, the Siamese Twins Collection, and the collection of miscellaneous papers.

Among other accessions were newspapers on microfilm from Bayboro, Henderson, and Moravian Falls; additions to the local history collections from Wake, Davidson, and Surry counties; cemetery records from Richmond and Stanly counties; an addition to the Civil War collection; an addition to the Slavery Papers; and records of the U.S. Coast Guard Life Saving Station at Chicamacomico (1 reel).

Promotions, Additions to A&H Staff

Doris Ruffner and Joe Mobley recently joined the staff of the Survey and Planning Branch of the Historic Preservation Section as researchers. Mr. Mobley was formerly with the Archives Branch of the Archives and Records Section. In the Historic Sites Section, effective January 1, Willie Morris, former CETA employee at the House in the Horseshoe, joined the staff as grounds maintenance supervisor at Historic Halifax; Alfred Soloman transferred from Historic Halifax to Bennett Place as grounds maintenance supervisor. On February 1 Allan Paul, former CETA employee as film coordinator with the Division of Archives and History, joined the staff as interpretations specialist for planning and development; and Linda Reeves was promoted to the position of interpretations specialist for continuing programs.

Ben P. and Linda B. Robertson, both in the Archaeology Section, received prize fellowships for doctoral studies in anthropological archaeology at Brown University; they will begin their work at Brown in September.

Several members of the State Records Branch of the Archives and Records Section were promoted in February. Mr. Don Flowers was promoted to records management analyst II to replace Mr. Carroll Stearns, who resigned in January; Mrs. Bessie Dixon was promoted to records management analyst I to fill the vacancy created by the promotion of Mr. Flowers, and Mr. John Hicks went into Mrs. Dixon's former job of records technician; Mrs. Irma Carroll was promoted to clerical supervisor V to fill the vacancy left by Mr. Hicks, and Mr. Charles Bailey was promoted to Mrs. Carroll's previous position of records clerk IV. Mrs. Helen Lassiter was appointed clerk-

stenographer III, and Mr. Hosea McAllister was named records clerk I to replace Mr. Bailey.

Committee on Status of History Established

Concerned over the "downgrading" of history in the schools, three historical organizations—the Historical Society of North Carolina, the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association, and the Association of Historians in Eastern North Carolina—have established a Joint Committee on the Status of History in the Public Schools.

The committee held its first meeting on January 16; then on March 24 members met with representative public school teachers and officials of the Department of Public Education for an exchange of ideas. Further consultation is anticipated as the historians seek to strengthen the study of history in the schools.

Members of the committee are as follows: Walter Anderson, Atlantic Christian College; Kenneth Dilda, Mount Olive College; William H. Cartwright and Robert F. Durden, Duke University; H. G. Jones, William S. Powell, and George B. Tindall, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; Herbert R. Paschal and Joseph F. Steelman, East Carolina University; George Melton, St. Andrews College; Lindley S. Butler, Rockingham Community College; Burton F. Beers, North Carolina State University; and Memory F. Mitchell, Division of Archives and History. Drs. Jones, Paschal, and Steelman serve as cochairmen.

Colleges and Universities

Campbell College

Dr. Vernon Stumpf served as coordinator of the Harnett County Forum. The February 5 topic, "Foreign Policy of the American Revolution and Now," was presented by Dr. Calvin Davis of Duke University. Chairman of the session was John Burns; discussants were Alvis Carver of Dunn, Glenn Johnson of Lillington, Mahlon Parker of Coats, and Ed Williams of Erwin. The program was held at Campbell College.

East Carolina University

Dr. Bodo Nischan, professor of history, discussed "Politics and Propaganda in an Age of Ideological Division: Saxony in the Thirty Years War" at the East Carolina University History Faculty Seminar. Dr. Lawrence F. Brewster, professor emeritus of history, is the author of *A Short History of the Diocese of East Carolina, 1883-1972, with Its Background in the Heritage of the Anglican Church in the Colony and the Protestant Episcopal Church in North Carolina*, published in December by the Diocese of East Carolina, Episcopal Church of North Carolina.

Meredith College

The Madison College founder's day address was presented on March 19 by Dr. Sarah M. Lemmon, professor of history and political science at Meredith, on the subject of "Dolley Madison: The Image and the Reality." She delivered the Meredith College Bicentennial Lecture on March 23 on the subject "The American Dream as Seen from Abroad."

North Carolina Central University

"Black Presence in American Political Process" was the subject of the Western Carolina University workshop session at which Dr. George Reid, chairman of the Department of History, spoke. The February 29 presentation was part of a series, "The Black Presence in the Continuing American Revolution."

North Carolina State University

Several members of the history faculty have addressed groups at other colleges during recent weeks. Dr. William Beezley spoke on "Contemporary Mexico: Legacy of the Past and Problems of Tomorrow" at Meredith College in February and on "Decade of Destruction: The Mexican Revolution, 1910-1920" at Michigan State University in January; Dr. Bernard Wishy's topic at Virginia State University, also in February, was "Democracy and the American Revolution" and at the University of Virginia in April was "Jefferson and the Democratic Ideology: Reassessing the French Influence." Appearing at the University of Georgia February 13-14 was Dr. Douglas Nelson; his topic was "The Myth of the Democratic Revolution: Creating an Orthodoxy," which was presented at the sixth annual meeting of the Consortium on Revolutionary Europe, 1750-1850. Dr. Stuart Noblin spoke in Siler City, March 11, and in Reidsville, March 23, on "The American Reality," a program sponsored by the Bicentennial Committee of the North Carolina Library Association and the North Carolina Humanities Committee. On March 12 Dr. Robert Collins took part in the Business History Conference in Moline, Illinois; his topic was "Business Responses to Keynesian Economics, 1929-1964." Dr. Wishy's subject at the annual meeting of the North Carolina Chapter, Phi Alpha Theta, in Raleigh in April was "Our Crises and Our History." "Iron for the New World" was the subject of the Annual History of Metals Lecture of the Maryland Institute of Metals in Baltimore on April 23; the speaker was Dr. James A. Mulholland.

A grant from the American Council of Learned Societies for research on "Communities of Mourning in Florence, Italy, during the Renaissance" was awarded to Dr. James Bunker for the 1976-1977 academic year.

St. Augustine's College

Julius F. Nimmons, Jr., chairman of the Department of History, spoke at the Richard B. Harrison Library in Raleigh on February 4, taking as his topic, "Blacks and the Bicentennial: To Celebrate or Not to Celebrate." Dr. Lois Spear, visiting professor of history, published "Pierre Joseph Proudhon and the Myth of Universal Suffrage" in the *Canadian Journal of History* for December.

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Dr. E. P. Douglass delivered a paper at the bicentennial celebration of the State University of Oregon in January entitled "The American, the French, and the Russian Revolutions: Comparisons and Contrasts." James R. Leutze spoke at Gardner-Webb College on January 29 on "Military in Contemporary American Society," and Ron L. Seckinger participated in the Latin American Studies Association program on March 27 in Atlanta with

a paper on "Power Politics in South America during the 1820s." The paper is being published this month in the *Hispanic American Historical Review.* Speaking at Western Kentucky University on February 11, Dr. George V. Taylor lectured on "Was the French Revolution an Accident?" and later participated in an afternoon colloquium for the Department of History. Dr. H. G. Jones, curator of the North Carolina Collection, lectured on "The Idea of America" as the first in a series, "The American Experiment," sponsored by the Bicentennial Committee of the North Carolina Library Association and the North Carolina Humanities Committee; the forum was presented in Raleigh, Smithfield, and Wilson on March 2, 3, and 10, respectively.

Dr. Donald G. Mathews, with Dr. Robert Calhoon of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, recently collaborated in a research project on religion and the American Revolution, concentrating on the Albemarle region of North Carolina, ca. 1780-1831; the project was funded by a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. Dr. Richard W. Pfaff was elected a member of the North Carolina Rhodes Scholarship Selection Committee in December.

University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Professor George R. Abernathy, Jr., presented a paper entitled "A New Look at the Stuart Restoration Religious Settlement" at the March 25-28 meeting of the American Catholic Historical Association. The meeting was held in Dayton, Ohio. *The Dangerous Class: Crime and Poverty in Columbus, Ohio, 1860-1865*, by Eric Monkkonen, was published by the Harvard University Press in January. Effective July 1, Dr. Edward S. Perzel will be promoted to the rank of professor and Dr. K. David Patterson to associate professor of history.

University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Dr. Richard Bardolph spoke at two sessions of the series of workshops on "The Black Presence in the Continuing American Revolution," cosponsored by Western Carolina University and the Asheville YWCA. On February 15 his topic was "Power and Powerlessness in American Society," and on March 28 he was the speaker at the "Summary and Conclusions" session.

Western Carolina University

"Michael Psellos and the Three Empresses" was the title of the paper read by Dr. Constance Head at the Southeastern Medieval Association in Tallahassee, Florida, March 5-6. Her book *The Emperor Julian* was published in January by Twayne Publishers. A series of workshops cosponsored by the university and the Asheville YWCA and funded by the North Carolina Humanities Committee was directed by Dr. H. Lewis Suggs of the Department of History. The project was entitled "The Black Presence in the Continuing American Revolution." Dr. Suggs was the speaker for the March 21 session on "Blacks and the Constitution and Bill of Rights."

Winston-Salem State University

A public service television series, produced by WXII Channel 12 and Winston-Salem State University, was entitled "We the People." Dr. William

F. Sheppard, professor of history at the university, served as project chairman. The series was funded by a grant from the North Carolina Humanities Committee; the four-part series was shown on March 4, 11, 18, and 25. The series was described as one which "explores the values and ideals upon which this country was founded, and examines the evolution of these principles through our 200 years."

Notice to Readers

Newspaper clippings have been the source of information on activities of many of the local historical organizations in the past. Colleges and universities have been reminded of the need for news on a regular basis. Because budgetary cuts have made it necessary to cancel the subscription to a clipping service, and because of limited postage, those institutions and organizations wishing to have news in *Carolina Comments* should send it to Mrs. Memory F. Mitchell, 109 E. Jones St., Raleigh, 27611; the deadline for the July issue is May 20.

State, County, and Local Groups

Alexander County Historical Society

On March 1 the society's president, W. N. Watt, presented a paper entitled "The Pathless Forest." The meeting was held in the library at Taylorsville.

Beaufort County Historical Society

On February 26 officers of the Beaufort County Historical Society were reelected: Fred M. Mallison, president; William P. Mayo, vice-president; and Mrs. Louise Satterthwaite, treasurer. Mrs. Satterthwaite formerly also served as secretary, but the combined position was divided, and Mrs. John M. Swanner was elected secretary.

Cabarrus Gold History Corporation

The directors of the corporation met February 23 at Reed Gold Mine for a tour of the new visitor center-museum and grounds. George Stinagle is site manager at the Reed Gold Mine State Historic Site.

Caldwell County Historical Association

President M. Q. Plumblee presided when the Caswell association met on January 12 at the Gunn Memorial Library in Yanceyville. Ryland Farmer discussed the proposed county watershed project and its effect on Womack's Mill, a structure which would probably be dismantled, moved, and reassembled on another location if federal funds are available.

Catawba County Historical Association

The association met February 4 in Newton for a two-part program on antique long rifles made in Catawba County and the showing of movies made

in the Newton-Conover community almost forty years ago. J. C. Jones of Maiden discussed the rifles made by his great-grandfather. The movies taken from 1938 to 1942 showed many local people who were pictured at schools, factories, etc.

Chapel Hill Historical Society

Speaker for the February 1 meeting was Dr. G. Kenneth Sams of the Classics Department of the university. His subject was "Patara and Lycia." Grey Culbreth, director of utilities for the university for many years, spoke at the March 7 meeting on "The History and Development of the Public Utilities System Serving Chapel Hill." The directors of the society recently approved publication of a collection of sketches about Chapel Hill during the last fifty years, written by Miss Cornelia Love, a longtime member of the staff of the University of North Carolina Library; the project is subject to approval by the appropriations committee. The proposal was made by Porter Cowles and Mrs. Caroline House Stewart.

Cleveland County Historical Association

The association met January 26 at the museum in the old courthouse in Shelby. A Kings Mountain square dance group performed prior to the program. Tony Eastman outlined bicentennial projects of Gardner-Webb College; and a report, "The Fate of the 56 Signers of the Declaration of Independence," was presented by Mrs. Elizabeth Claytor's junior high school class. Tyree Greene, who serves as general bicentennial chairman for the county, gave an outline of projected activities for the year; and Dr. Wyan Washburn, president of the historical association, previewed historical events being scheduled.

Cumberland County Historical Society

The society held a luncheon meeting February 4 at the Lions Civic Center. Bo Thorp, director of *The Highland Call*, and another cast member presented vignettes from the historical drama by Paul Green. The drama opened February 26 in the Cumberland County Auditorium.

David Caldwell Log College, Inc.

Mrs. Ethel Stephens Arnett has written a biography of David Caldwell, which was published by the Junior League of Greensboro, Inc., in a limited edition of 1,000 numbered copies. Profits from the book are being donated to David Caldwell Log College, Inc., for use in purchasing land believed to be the site of the Caldwell home and college. The book may be ordered for $20.00 plus sales tax from Mrs. C. William Cloninger, 218 East Avondale, Greensboro, 27403. Checks should be made payable to the Junior League of Greensboro.

Davidson County Historical Association

New officers elected at the February meeting are Mrs. Ernest J. Meiere, Jr., president; Mr. Richard Lane, vice-president; Mrs. Phyllis Penry, secretary; Mr. L. M. Grimes, Jr., treasurer; and Mrs. Harriet Zimmerman,

assistant treasurer. The association is sponsoring the renovation of the courtroom in the old Davidson County Courthouse and the establishment of a museum therein. Opening date for the museum has been set for July 4.

Edgecombe County Historical Society

After a two-year study by the town of Tarboro and the historical society, the Tarboro Historic District became a reality. The town council enacted the appropriate ordinance on January 12 and appointed a seven-member historic district commission on February 9. The effective date of the Tarboro Historic District was March 1.

Friends of West Point, Inc.

The Friends of West Point was organized in 1975 as an adjunct to the Durham City Council to coordinate the development of forty acres of the city's Eno River Park. The tract at one time was the West Point mill community, which had over 300 families, a post office, store, blacksmith shop, and other facilities in addition to the 1778 mill. The new organization, with the cooperation of the Junior League of Durham, is restoring the McCown-Mangum House, ca. 1850, for adaptive use; it is reconstructing the old mill, mill race, and dam in cooperation with the Association for the Preservation of the Eno River Valley.

Granville County Historical Society

The society, the Colonial Dames, DAR, UDC, and garden clubs are cosponsors of a project whereby Granville County will have a historical museum. A gift of $5,000 from Hatcher Crenshaw, Jr., of Richmond, Virginia, in memory of his sister and father, Mrs. Lucy Crenshaw Smith and E. H. Crenshaw, Sr., both formerly of Oxford, will be used to match a $5,000 grant from the county commissioners. The fund-raising committee, headed by Mrs. Wilson Comer, has raised approximately $1,000 in addition to the two $5,000 contributions.

Harnett County Historical Society

The society met at the courthouse in Lillington February 2. Members worked to compile a list of prospective buyers for the county history, *They Passed This War.*

High Point Historical Society

Two members of the society, Mrs. Norman Andrews and Robert B. Rankin, won the Mary Lib Joyce Award in recognition of outstanding service to the organization. The award is named for the High Point group's first president. The winners were announced when the society met February 10 for the annual meeting in the High Point Museum. Officers elected for 1976 are James H. Millis, president; Dale Montgomery, vice-president; Robert B. Rankin, treasurer; Mrs. Hugh Bennett, secretary; and Mrs. J. Roger Edward, assistant secretary. R. T. Amos, Jr., is outgoing president.

Historic Cabarrus

Members voted on March 1 to work with the Gold History Corporation, feeling that both organizations would profit by cooperating. Mrs. S. B. Cook offered to open her home, Mill Hill, to the public on certain days and give the receipts to Historic Cabarrus. Various other fund-raising ideas were discussed.

Historic Halifax Restoration Association

Incumbent officers were reelected when the association held its annual meeting in Raleigh in February. They are Ray S. Wilkinson of Raleigh, chairman; C. Shields Alexander of Scotland Neck, vice-chairman; Mrs. Charles H. Boykin of Halifax, secretary; and Fletcher Gregory of Weldon, treasurer. Mr. Larry Misenheimer of the Historic Sites Section, Division of Archives and History, presented a slide program on Historic Halifax.

Historic Preservation Society of Durham

The society held a meeting at the East Duke Building, Duke University, the afternoon of February 22. Drs. William E. King, archivist of Duke, and Larry E. Tise, director of the Division of Archives and History, were speakers.

Historic Robeson

Dr. Larry E. Tise spoke at a dinner meeting of Historic Robeson, held at the Holiday Inn North in Lumberton on March 16.

Historic Wilmington Foundation, Inc.

The annual meeting of the foundation was held February 11 at its headquarters, the Governor Dudley House, at which time eight new trustees were elected to three-year terms. A slide program was used to present a report of the accomplishments and activities of the preceding year. On March 16 Mr. Milton Grigg of Charlottesville, Virginia, noted restoration architect who assisted with the Thalian Hall project, presented a slide lecture, "Preservation Today." Also in March the foundation sponsored a three-day trip to Savannah, Georgia. Plans for the May Festival, May 14-16, include a river boat cruise, garden festival, and house tour of the Wilmington Historic District.

Hyde County Historical Society

Hyde County, approved as a National Bicentennial Community, observed this recognition with a ceremony on February 23 at Mattamuskeet School. Plans for a bicentennial week for the county were announced for April 5-9, with an old-time field day and a historical pageant as two of the featured events. On June 30 a musical program will be presented by the Bicentennial Choir at Mattamuskeet School; it will be repeated at Ocracoke on July 1.

Lee County Historical Society

The society announced plans in February for an April tour to Wilmington,

Delaware, so that members could visit the Winterthur Museum and several historic sites in the area. A day in Philadelphia was included in the itinerary.

Lenoir County Historical Association

John Ellington, museum administrator, spoke at the January 20 meeting of the association. The dinner meeting was held at Kings Barbecue in Kinston. Professor William S. Powell of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill was speaker at the opening session of the North Carolina Humanities Committee Forum which was sponsored by the association and the Lenoir Community College. The program was held February 3 at the college. Mr. Powell's topic was "North Carolina and the Bicentennial"; the theme of the forum was "America: The First 200 Years."

Lower Cape Fear Historical Society

Speaker at the March 5 meeting, held in the St. James Parish House, was Rear Adm. Richard B. Black, U.S. Naval Reserve (Ret.), whose subject was "Antarctica Revisited." A motion picture was shown, covering the Byrd Antarctic Expeditions I and II, and Operation Deep Freeze I; also shown were still shots of the final, disastrous expedition of Capt. Robert Falcon Scott of the British navy, 1910-1913. Admiral Black served with the Byrd expedition, 1933-1935, and with later expeditions to the Antarctic.

The February issue of the society's *Bulletin* included an article by John B. Flowers III entitled "Did Polly Slocumb Ride to the Battle of Moore's Creek Bridge?"

Maxton Historical Society

At the annual birthday banquet of the society on February 16 members heard Claude H. Moore, president of the North Carolina Society of County and Local Historians. His topic was "Some Highlights in the Life of George Washington"; he wore colonial dress designed and made by his wife.

"From Scotland to Maxton, U.S.A.," by Dorothy Collins, is scheduled for May 14 at Maxton High School. The musical drama tells the history of Maxton through the use of children's music; 150 local children will participate in the production. Sponsor of the drama is the Maxton Music Academy.

Moore County Historical Association

The association and the Moore County Bicentennial Committee have set up a joint committee on historic places. The committee will try to find and identify all historic places in the county, and citizens are asked to notify the committee as to the existence of any structure built before 1900, sending the information to Box 324, Southern Pines, 28387. Members of the joint committee are Mrs. Clyde T. Auman of West End, Mrs. Pete Phillips of Cameron, C. Wiley Purvis of High Falls, L. McN. Johnson of Aberdeen, A. E. Parker of Southern Pines, and Capt. S. W. Betts of Whispering Pines.

Mordecai Square Historical Society

The society sponsored an exhibit of antique dolls and other toys, presented by Mrs. Jean Lightfoot, on February 8 at Mordecai House. The dolls dated from 1840 to 1920.

Museum of the Albemarle

Officers for 1976 are Mrs. George M. Wood, president; Mrs. L. P. Horntha vice-president; Miss Sarah Bunn, secretary; and Mr. Terry Daniels, treas urer. These persons were elected at the annual meeting of the museum hel on February 11 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wood in Camden.

Museum of the Cherokee Indian

Dr. Duane Harold King has been named director of the museum, whic is scheduled for opening on June 1. His M.A. and Ph.D. degrees are fro the University of Georgia; Dr. King's dissertation was "A Grammar an Dictionary of the Cherokee Language." He recently edited *The Cherokees i Historical Perspective*, which is being published by the University of Ten nessee Press. Dr. King's wife, who will receive a M.A. from the Universit of Tennessee in June, speaks the Cherokee language and shares Dr. King' interest in Cherokee studies.

Northeastern Historical Society

The society was organized January 29 at a meeting held in Williamsto Frank Stephenson, Jr., of Hertford County was elected president; Mrs. Jea Winslow of Perquimans County, vice-president; Bill Culpepper of Chowa County, second vice-president; Betty Mann of Hyde County, third vice president; Bruce Beasley of Beaufort County, secretary; Mrs. Rom Parke of Halifax County, recording secretary; and Dr. Herbert R. Paschal of Pit County, treasurer. Counties included in the organization are Beaufor Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Edgecombe, Gates, Halifax Hertford, Hyde, Martin, Northampton, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Pitt Tyrrell, and Washington. Dr. Larry E. Tise, director of the Division o Archives and History, was guest speaker.

Old Salem, Inc.

Charles A. Phillips of Nacogdoches, Texas, joined the Old Salem staff a director of restoration on January 19, filling the position left vacant by th resignation of John F. Bivins, Jr., who served as director of restoration an curator of the Old Salem Collection. The decision was made to separate th two functions, and appointed curator is Miss Paula Welshimer of Canton Ohio. She formerly worked as assistant curator but resigned in 1974 t pursue graduate studies at Oberlin College and will soon complete require ments for a master's degree in art history. Mr. Phillips earned his graduat and undergraduate degrees in architecture from the University of Texas.

Pasquotank Historical Society

The February meeting of the society was held at the Museum of th Albemarle. Billy Houtz, who was introduced by Jack Baum, spoke on th Declaration of Independence. Officers were installed: Gerald White, presi dent: Margaret Raper, vice-president; Peggy McPherson, secretary; an Lennie Hughes, treasurer. The society endorsed several bicentennial report after hearing about them from Nelson Watkins, executive director of th Elizabeth City Chamber of Commerce. Included were plans for restoratio

f Betsy Tooley's Tavern, restoration of the front of a prefabricated iron uilding, and renovation of the old stage theater in Chesson's Department tore.

'itt County Historical Society

Members of the Pitt County group voted, at their meeting on March 18, o restore and mount a Revolutionary War cannon on the town common in Greenville. Dating from about 1770, the cannon is of British origin. It was, ntil recently, located in the Cherry Hill Cemetery; and it has been authenicated by Keith Strawn, a member of the staff of the Museum Section of the Division of Archives and History. Dr. Ralph Hardee Rives, president, preided at the business session. A program of bicentennial music was presented y the Pitt County 4-H Bicentennial Singers.

The cannon being restored is shown in the Cherry Hill Cemetery. (Photograph by Bob Byrd, City-County Bureau of Identification, Greenville, furnished by Pitt County Historical Society.)

Railroad House Historical Association

The directors of the association met February 9 to hear a report on various acquisitions recently added to the collection owned by the association. One acquisition, a conductor's lantern used by Capt. E. E. Yates on the Southern Railroad, was donated by his sisters, Katie and Luna Yates. Captain Yates worked on the Southern for over fifty years.

Randolph County Historical Society

The February 5 meeting of the society was held at the Asheboro Public Library with a program on the Farmer community. The society is sponsoring a new group, the Randolph County Genealogical Society, which held its initial meeting on March 18.

Scotland County Historical Association

The Shaw House was opened in March by the association. The association's president, Hewitt Fulton, reported that remodeling and renovation had been completed but a need for furnishings continued to exist.

Society of the War of 1812 in North Carolina

William C. Knight of Raleigh was elected president at a luncheon meeting in Raleigh on February 21; he succeeds Dr. Ralph Hardee Rives of Greenville, who was the organization's first president. Other officers

elected in February are Jerry L. Higgins, Sr., of Cary, secretary-treasurer Dr. Rives and Roscoe Allen of Greensboro, vice-presidents; and Hugh B Johnston of Wilson, genealogist.

Soul City Cultural Arts and Historical Society

The society sponsored a spring workshop beginning the week of Februar 16. Funding by the North Carolina Arts Council and the National Endow ment for the Arts made the workshop in dance, drama, and music possible.

Southport Historical Society

The society was organized by nineteen citizens of Southport who met ir the board room of the Southport-Brunswick County Library on January 15 Mrs. Eleanor P. Smith presided. Mrs. John J. Swain is secretary-treasurer and Miss Kathryn Carson was asked to edit the society's journal which is to be published at least quarterly. Mrs. Susie Carson is vice-president, and Mrs. Herman Rogers, Sr., is archivist.

Thomasville Historical Society

Restoration of the old railroad depot is a bicentennial project of the society and the city of Thomasville. The depot was relocated in February and is being restored to its original appearance.

Tirzah Presbyterian Church

The session house of the Tirzah Presbyterian Church in Waxhaw has been restored by men of the church, using materials from the old manse and from the original session house. Oak log benches will be found inside, and the site has been landscaped. Tirzah is one of the oldest churches in Union County, and its session house was used for training in church membership and for church trials. Roy Simpson supervised restoration of the structure, which is standing on the original site about 300 yards south of the church. Persons desiring to visit the restoration will find it about a mile off Highway 200 on County Road 1100 in Union County, about nine miles south of Monroe. Further information may be obtained from the minister, Dr. Preston Stevenson.

Vance County Historical Society

Members gathered March 4 for a "show and tell" program. Those in attendance brought articles of historical interest.

Wayne County Historical Society

The society, inactive for several years was reorganized February 2, at which time Bob Johnson was elected president. Charles S. Norwood, Jr., is first vice-president; Mrs. M. B. Andrews, Sr., second vice-president; Mrs. C. W. Twiford, secretary; B. G. Stowe, treasurer; and M. B. Andrews, Sr., chaplain. The society will meet the first Monday of each month at two o'clock. Persons interested in joining should contact Mr. Johnson in care of the *News-Argus,* P.O. Drawer 1718, Goldsboro, 27530. Dues are $1.00 a year.

Western North Carolina Historical Association

Mrs. Ruth Camblos called on members of the association to continue efforts to raise money for the restoration of the Smith-McDowell House. Though enough has been raised to match a 1975 state appropriation, additional funds are needed for the project. The city of Asheville and Buncombe County each approved matching allocations of $8,333, and the Asheville Council of Garden Clubs plans to sponsor an art show in April for the benefit of the restoration. Mrs. Frances McDowell, chairman of the Western North Carolina Heritage Center which is to be established on the Smith-McDowell property, read a paper on the house. Dr. Francis P. Hulme, professor of English at Warren Wilson College, gave a talk on the history of that institution.

Calendar of Scheduled Events

May 14-16, May Festival, Wilmington, sponsored by Historic Wilmington Foundation, Inc.

May 14, "From Scotland to Maxton, U.S.A.," Maxton High School

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"Progress-Profits-Perservation" Is Conference Theme

The Historic Preservation Society of North Carolina, Inc., and the Division of Archives and History cosponsored a two-day conference in Salisbury May 3-4. Gov. James E. Holshouser, Jr., addressed the participants and announced that he had signed an executive order requiring state agencies to locate, inventory, and provide to the North Carolina Historical Commission a listing of all properties that appear to qualify for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. The order contains various directives to state agencies, and the listing, developed under procedures established by the N.C. Historical Commission, is to be completed by July 1, 1978.

During the Monday dinner, the Historic Preservation Society presented an Award of Achievement to Roy A. Taylor, representative in Congress from the Eleventh District and chairman of the National Parks and Recreation Subcommittee of the House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs. The award paid tribute to him for his efforts on behalf of support for the national historic preservation program.

More than 150 people were welcomed by Edward H. Clement, president of the Historic Salisbury Foundation, Inc.; Rev. Uly H. Gooch, rector of the host St. Luke's Episcopal Church; and Salisbury's mayor pro tem, David Jordan. Dr. Larry E. Tise enunciated the unusual themes of the conference in introductory remarks. Dr. Banks C. Talley, Jr., president of the society, discussed the establishment of a revolving historic preservation fund.

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Search Room to Remain Open on Saturday

An announcement in the last issue of *Carolina Comments* stated that because of budgetary restrictions Saturday hours in the Search Room would have to be discontinued. This was met with such an overwhelming response that steps were taken to keep the Search Room open on Saturdays. Although funds for temporary employees to man the Search Room were deleted from the 1976-1977 budget, the demands on the part of patrons throughout the state encouraged legislators and budget-planners to find a solution to the dilemma. Funds for the operation of the Search Room on Saturdays will be derived in part from legislatively decreed increases in charges for photocopying, photostating, and duplication of microfilm. A new cost schedule for such services may be obtained by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to the Archives and Records Section, 109 E. Jones Street, Raleigh, 27611.

From the Director's Desk...

Since the last issue of *Carolina Comments* was prepared for the press a great number of things have happened to absorb the energies and attention of the Division of Archives and History. The number and variety of events and developments are legion and are amply reported in the pages of this issue. I would like to draw the attention of readers and patrons of Archives and History briefly to a couple of the most significant.

1. On May 3, 1976, Governor Holshouser responded to a request from the North Carolina Historical Commission by issuing one of the most important executive orders promulgated by any governor relating to historic preservation. Based to some extent on Executive Order 11593 issued by the president in 1971, Executive Order XVI, entitled "An Order to Protect and Enhance the Historical and Cultural Heritage of North Carolina," declares it a policy of state government to provide leadership in all matters relating to the preservation of the historical and archaeological resources of North Carolina. More far-ranging than other state executive orders, it will require all agencies of state government to comply with rules and regulations established by the North Carolina Historical Commission. Copies of the order may be procured by writing the Division of Archives and History.

2. The current foray of archaeologists and architectural historians into the New River Valley from the division, while it has been publicized in the news media as an effort to "block" the construction of Appalachian Power Company dams, is in actuality nothing of the kind. The large scale inventory, among the most intensive of its kind, is designed merely to determine in line with the highest professional standards just what are the significant historical and archaeological resources of the valley. Prompted by action of the courts releasing Apco from further responsibility for surveying the historical and archaeological resources of the area and by an environmental impact statement on the creation of a National Wild and Scenic River leaving responsibility for such survey to the state of North Carolina, the crash inventory is expected to give us a unique opportunity to assess and understand the total historical and archaeological environment of a major river valley.

3. Since the preparation of the last issue of *Carolina Comments* the budgetary crisis which faced the division has lessened to more reasonable proportions. The damages of budgetary cuts anticipated two months ago now appear significantly less threatening. Nevertheless, during the coming months we will be asking various groups and individuals who support the programs of the division to provide assistance from the private sector. Among the first groups to come to our support was the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association when it agreed to sponsor among its membership the creation of a historical publications fund. This ready sign of support from this old and most distinguished historical organization has been most encouraging. Details will be announced in the September issue.

4. During a single week in May (3-7) the Division of Archives and History sponsored two most significant conferences, one on historic preservation and the other on archives and records management. The former was a special conference designed to draw attention to the fact that historic preservation can be compatible with "progress" and can be economically, socially, and culturally profitable. The latter was the regular annual session of the South Atlantic Archives and Records Conference and drew attention to the fact that in both archives and records management we are entering a new day in the handling of public records.

5. Last and certainly far from least, on April 12—the two-hundredth anniversary of the important Halifax Resolves—the division dedicated the newly completed Historic Halifax Visitor Center and opened a number of restored buildings in the town of Halifax. While the work which had gone into the completion of the historic site may not have been particularly noticeable to the 10,000 persons on hand for the festivities, the work and dedication which went into having the site ready on time was most notable and was a happy indication of a new spirit of problem-solving productivity which is current among the staff of the division.

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Governor Holshouser, left, issued a major executive order relating to historic preservation on May 3. He is shown here with T. Harry Gatton, chairman of the North Carolina Historical Commission, and Banks T. Talley, Jr., president of the Historic Preservation Society of North Carolina, during the Salisbury conference. (Photographs by Division of Archives and History unless otherwise specified.)

The first session, "Preservation Politics," featured James A. Dunn, Jr., senior planner with the Department of Natural and Economic Resources; Barbara Todd of the Fayetteville-Cumberland Planning Board; and Carolista Baum of Chapel Hill as speakers. The second session, "Preservation Nuts and Bolts," was presented by John W. Kinney, Jr., consulting architect for the Historic Sites Section of the Division of Archives and History; David C. Fischetti, an engineer from Cary; and Timothy A. Thompson, an archaeologist with the Division of Archives and History. Speakers for the "Preservation Dollars and Sense" session were Marshall C. Smith, vice-president of North Carolina National Bank; Ardath A. Goldstein, federal programs administrator for the North Carolina Bicentennial Committee; and Patricia Smith, community development planner with the Department of Natural and Economic Resources.

E. Watson Brown, Tarboro town planner; Sarah Brinson of the Edgecombe County Historical Society; J. Myrick Howard of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; and Linda Harris, a planning technician with the city of Raleigh, were leaders in a workshop on historic districts. The final session, on "Preservation Law," was led by Daniel Morrill of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

Three tours of the Historic Salisbury area were conducted by James S. Brawley, Edith Clark, and Edward Clement; Mr. Brawley also took visitors to the Old Stone House and the National Cemetery.

A special audiovisual presentation, "Traditions in Perspective: A Program to Assist Urbanizing Communities in the Carolinas," was developed by four members of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte faculty: Edward Perzel, Daniel Morrill, Ronald Morgan, and James Vaseff.

Members of the Historic Preservation Society—Mrs. H. Leslie Moody of Hickory, Thomas Gray of Winston-Salem, Mrs. Lawrence K. Boggs of Charlotte, and Lindley S. Butler of Wentworth—introduced the sessions. Serving as moderators were members of the Historic Preservation Section staff Janet K. Seapker, C. Greer Syttlemyre, Jr., Kathleen Pepi, and Ruth Little-Stokes.

"Crash Survey" of the New River Launched

When the courts finally issued a modified license to Appalachian Power Company to begin construction of power dams on the New River, it became apparent that federal laws and procedures had failed to protect the largely unknown historical and archaeological resources of the New River Valley.

Despite a decade of effort on the part of the Division of Archives and Histo to have the Federal Power Commission require Apco to identify such r sources and take them into consideration in the company's proposed co struction project, the responsibility finally fell squarely on the shoulders North Carolina.

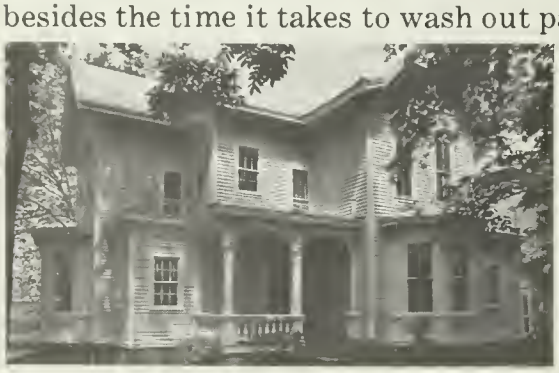
Within two weeks after the issuance of the license, funds had been ma available for the division to undertake an intensive inventory of the riv valley. With assistance from the Department of the Interior and from t North Carolina Department of Administration, before thirty days h elapsed the division had placed a team of eighteen archaeologists, historian architectural historians, and support personnel in the field.

By May 2 sufficient information had been retrieved from the survey t indicate that the New River Valley was extraordinarily rich in both stru tures and sites worthy of nomination to the National Register of Histor Places. With the approval of the North Carolina Historical Commission, o the following day Dr. Larry E. Tise, state historic preservation officer an director of the division, nominated thirty-three of the archaeological sit to the National Register.

The inventory continued through the end of May and resulted in t identification of more than 100 significant archaeological sites and mo than a dozen significant structures. By the first of July it was anticipate that a final report would be completed on the findings of the unique inventor of the New River basin.

Cooperation on Paint Job for Historic House

When work began to renovate the Coble-Helms House on North Blou Street, Raleigh, and state General Services workers began scraping an repairing the Victorian house, Catherine Cockshutt of the Survey and Pla ning Branch staff contacted the State Property and Construction Office. Sh suggested something besides the usual plain white—if possible the origin colors. A memorandum was sent from agency to agency to confirm the ide Cooperation was quickly forthcoming from Noah Sites of the State Propert and Construction Office and Bill Barnes of the Office of General Service Margaret Stephenson of the Historic Preservation Section did a bit of quic paint research and turned up the original paint scheme of two shades of gol with some gray. A check with Mr. Barnes and his staff identified two shade of gold and parchment, similar to the original colors, available on state co tract paint charts. Within a week painters were at work. The weatherboard were painted a warm gold, the trim "parchment," and details were picke out in the gold. Now the house gleams gold through the trees on Blou Street—the result of state agency cooperation, and no additional mone besides the time it takes to wash out paint brushes.



Coble-Helms House, North Blount Stree Raleigh.

"Preservation Packet" Available

The Historic Preservation Society of North Carolina, Inc., has put together a "Preservation Packet," containing information on preservation law, finance, technology, and the operation of historic district and historic properties commissions. The packets cost $3.00 each and may be purchased from Frances Whitley, Historic Preservation Society, 109 East Jones Street, Raleigh, 27611.

Mobile Museum Features New Exhibit

"Celebration, 1776-1976," a new exhibit in North Carolina's Mobile Museum, is now on the road. There are displays illustrating the signing of the Declaration of Independence, in which North Carolina's three signers are pictured, and the 1783 observance of July 4 by the Moravian community of Wachovia; reproductions of such documents as the North Carolina constitution and the Halifax and Mecklenburg resolves; and exhibits of actual Revolutionary War artifacts, such as a wooden canteen and a bullet mold.

The American centennial is illustrated with artifacts and pictures relating to the 1876 Philadelphia exhibition. Interestingly enough, a Scotland County native, Joseph Roswell Hawley, was president of the United States Centennial Commission.

An audiovisual slide program explains how and why Americans celebrate the Fourth of July. The new Mobile Museum exhibit, made possible by a grant from McDonald's Restaurants, was formally dedicated by Gov. James E. Holshouser, Jr., on April 23.

The Mobile Museum of History is shown ready for viewing by schoolchildren and others interested in the new exhibit, "Celebration, 1776-1976."

"200 Years of Fashion" at Museum of History

"200 Years of Fashion" opened on June 27 in the North Carolina Museum of History as the museum's bicentennial exhibit. It contains approximately sixty-two gowns, fashion accessories, period furnishings, a few examples of men's and children's clothing, and fashion plate enlargements. The exhibition, through the medium of women's fashions, will illustrate changes in tastes, both personal and cultural, in North Carolina in the last 200 years.

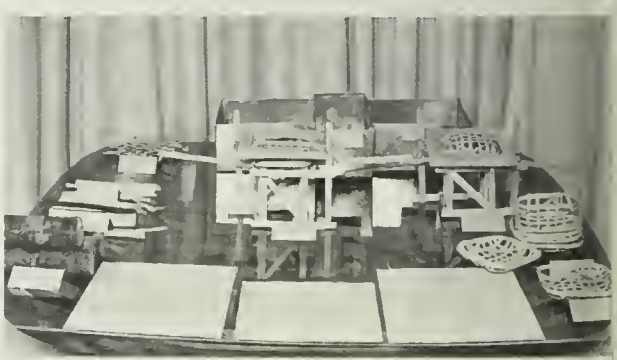
Cleaning, restoring, and mounting the gowns required more than tw years. Much of the work was done by museum docents, without whose volu teer help the exhibit would not have been possible. Each gown was examine and, when possible, cleaned. In many instances the antique fabric had to b backed with new material to prevent further deterioration. Tears were car fully sewn; missing or damaged areas were replaced; and in some instance portions had to be re-created. Each gown was then mounted on a custo form made by the docents and the museum's staff.

Docents who assisted with the gown restoration are Mrs. Edward (Garland, Mrs. Spurgeon McDade, Jr., Mrs. Alfred J. Sillery, Mrs. Bett Southerland, Mrs. Armstead Helms Wellford, Mrs. Darrell Rhudy, Mrs. J. I McKee, Mrs. George Williams, Mrs. George T. Thornhill III, Mrs. Edwar G. Bell, Mrs. Alan Blankenship, Miss Sally Porter, and Mrs. E. Marvi Thompson.

Junior Historians Receive Recognition

The fifteenth annual statewide Literary and Arts Contest, sponsored b the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association, was held in April Twenty-seven projects entered in eight categories were judged on con tribution to state and local history, historical accuracy, workmanship, an style of presentation. The judges represented the North Carolina Literar and Historical Association, the State Department of Public Instruction, an the Tar Heel Junior Historian Association in the Division of Archives an History. More than 400 junior high school students and their adviser gathered in Raleigh May 21 for a day-long celebration and the announce ment of the winners.

Among the highlights of the day's activities was a presentation of th "Spirit of '76" by Martin '76ers of LeRoy Martin Junior High School, Ra leigh, in the auditorium of the Highway Building. The original musica pageant was written, produced, and costumed by the students. Mrs. Mari Ham, state interior designer, presented a slide show on the recent renova tion of the Executive Mansion, after which the students toured the mansion The luncheon and awards presentation ceremonies were held at Chris Church across from Capitol Square.



First place in the Individual Arts category was awarded to Vernon Tolliver, Th Seventy-Sixers, Jonesboro Middle School, Sanford, for the project, "The Histori

Railroad House, Sanford, North Carolina," Mrs. Janice Horton, adviser. Honorable mention in Individual Arts went to David McManus, W. B. Wicker Junior Historians, W. B. Wicker School, Sanford, for the model of the "Cornwallis House," Mrs. Louise Cox, adviser. Also receiving honorable mention in Individual Arts was Mark Tomlinson, Springfield Middle School, Lucama, for his model of the "John Wright Stanly House," Mrs. Betty M. Vandiford, adviser.

Joint first-place awards were announced in the Group Arts category: Yadkinville Tar Heel Junior Historians, Yadkinville Elementary School, Yadkinville, for the "Lost Art of Tobacco Basket Making," Mr. Lloyd Pardue, adviser; and the Skewarkians, Bear Grass School, Williamston, for *The Other Side of the River*, an original movie based on the Tuscarora Indians, Mrs. Elizabeth Roberson, adviser. Joint honorable mentions in this category went to the Hickory Grove Tar Heel Junior Historians, Hickory Grove School, Garland, for the "Moore's Creek Battleground Bridge," Mrs. Jeanne H. Kirby, adviser; and to Holmes Junior Historians, Holmes Junior High School, Eden, for "As We See North Carolina," a needlepoint wall hanging, Mrs. Anne Tuttle, adviser.

In the Individual Literary category first place was won by Tom Slaughter, Cannon Junior Historians, J. W. Cannon Junior High School, Kannapolis, for "In the Beginning—Kannapolis, N.C.," Mr. J. Darrell Bost, adviser.

Joint first-place awards were made in the Group Literary category: Company Shops Historians, Turrentine Middle School, Burlington, for "North Carolina in Ballads," Mrs. Dorothy Lambert, adviser; and the Skewarkians for *The Other Side of the River*.

To be eligible for the Special Achievement category, a club must have won awards in three previous contests. There are four awards in this category which parallel the regular contest. Special Achievement Individual Arts award went to Denetra Taylor, History Seekers, Albemarle Junior High School, Albemarle, for the model of the "Cabarrus County Courthouse," Mr. Jim Yandle and Mrs. Pearl Cox, advisers. Honorable mention in Special Achievement Individual Arts went to Tim Eagle, Belmont Cardinals Tar Heel Junior Historians, Belmont Junior High School, Belmont, for "Ramseur's Mill," Mrs. Wilma Craig, adviser. Also receiving an honorable mention was Matt Matthews, Chief Rockahock Junior Historian Association, Chowan Academy, Edenton, for the model showing "Aid to Boston," Mrs. Virginia Wood, adviser.

In the Special Achievement Group Arts category the History Seekers received first place for the model of the "Snuggs House." Honorable mention in the Special Achievement Group Arts category went to the Five Teenagers History Club, Eastern North Carolina School for the Deaf, Wilson, for the interpretation of "Mary Slocumb's Ride," Mr. Ronald Pace, adviser.

First place in the Special Achievement Individual Literary category went to Anne Dennis, History Seekers, for the research project on "Rocky River Baptist Church."

The Special Achievement Group Literary award was presented to the Martin '76ers, for the project "Heritage, Horizon, and Festivals in North Carolina," Mrs. Anne Kennedy, Mrs. Mary Jackman, and Mr. Eddie Clinton, advisers.

For the first time this year advisers of winning clubs received special recognition from the North Carolina Bicentennial Committee. Dick Ellis, director, presented copies of *Spirit Up the People* to the advisers.

Several additional awards were also presented. Books were awarded by the Daughters of the Revolution to three clubs—Martin '76ers, History Seekers of Albemarle, and Skewarkians—with outstanding records of service hours to the community in the interest of local history. Mrs. Dotty Shoffner, bicentennial chairman for the N.C. Federation of Women's Clubs, presented five savings bonds ranging from $25 to $100 to the students scoring the highest marks on a special North Carolina history quiz. Winners, all members of the Company Shops Junior Historian Club, were Susan Elizabeth Jobe, first place; Michele Marjorie Long, second place; Laura McFarlane Clark, third place; Leslie Carol Wallace, fourth place; and Abby Lynn Baker, fifth place.

Left, persons attending the South Atlantic Archives and Records Conference are registering in the lobby of the Archives and History-State Library Building; right, Mr. Ron Youngquist, head, State Records Branch, is addressing the conference participants.

South Atlantic Archives and Records Conference

More than 100 representatives from six states and the District of Columbia met in Raleigh on May 6-7 for the eleventh annual session of the South Atlantic Archives and Records Conference. General sessions were conducted on the relationship between general management and archival and records management and the effect of recent privacy acts on the states. Individual sessions on a variety of subjects were held including educational opportunities, monetary appraisal of documentary materials, the problems of new buildings, budgetary problems, security, and career development and expectations for young professionals. For the first time at an SAARC, a film festival was held with examples of motion pictures of historical interest housed in or created by the various archives. The conference was highlighted by the dedication of the new Records Center.

Dr. Larry E. Tise introduces Mrs. Grace J. Rohrer, seated, at the dedication of the new State Records Center on May 7.

Historic Sites in the News

Historic Bath was awarded first prize in the Operations Beautiful Awards Program, Anti-litter and Beautification Contest, sponsored by the Coastal Plain Development Association. Bath entered the contest in the category of communities of less than 100 families. The award, a silver bowl, was presented to Mrs. John A. Tankard, site manager of Historic Bath, by Justice Dan K. Moore of the North Carolina Supreme Court at the annual meeting of Keep North Carolina Beautiful, Inc. The meeting was held March 28-29 at the Governors Inn, Research Triangle Park.

On July 7 an outdoor drama based on events which occured about 1802 will open at the Alston House, better known as the House in the Horseshoe. Written by Joseph Cole Simmons of Chapel Hill, the drama is being produced by the Moore County Historical Association; it will be performed on the grounds of the historic site July 7 through August 14. Tickets are $2.50. The

grounds at the House in the Horseshoe have been beautified by the efforts of Earl Batchelor, assistant manager of the site, who has become well known for his horticultural abilities.

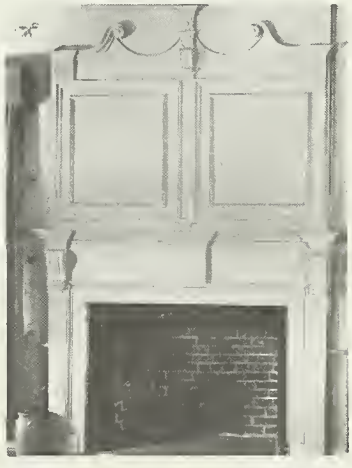
Left, Mrs. Tankard holds the award presented to Bath; right, Mr. Batchelor shows the results of his horticultural labors.

Carolina Charter Corporation Adds Members

Mrs. L. Y. Ballentine, president of the Carolina Charter Corporation, recently announced the addition of eleven new members to the organization: Mrs. James Semans, Durham; Messrs. Marshall Haywood, Raleigh; Glen Watters, Raleigh; Peter Hairston, Advance; Leslie Boney, Wilmington; George Stephens, Asheville; James Kenan, Atlanta; George London, Raleigh; William C. Kluttz, Salisbury; Thomas B. Wood, Raleigh; Marvin B. Koonce, Raleigh; James Ficklen, Greenville.

The corporation, formed in 1963, is a body of citizens interested in promoting the collection and publication of the colonial records of North Carolina. It has provided valuable assistance in initiating the British records program currently under way in London and in the publication of the new series of *The Colonial Records of North Carolina.*

National Register Entries Pictured



Left, Oakdale Cotton Mill Village, Guilford County; middle, First Presbyterian Church, Fayetteville; right, Oak Lawn (Benjamin W. Davidson House), Mecklenburg County. Additional pictures on page 78.

Top, left, Shady Oaks (Cheek-Twitty House), Warren County; right, Gaither House, Burke County. Middle, two views of the Bethania Historic District in Forsyth County; left, God's Acre, and right, streetscape, looking northeast, Main Street. Bottom left, Greenfield, Chowan County; right, Flora MacDonald College, Robeson County.

A&H Staff Changes Announced

Mr. A. Torrey McLean III has joined the staff of the Archives Branch replacing Mr. Joe Mobley, who is now on the staff of the Survey and Planning Branch. Mr. McLean received his A.B. degree from Virginia Military Institute in 1967 and his M.A. degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

William R. Frick, curator of exhibits, resigned effective March 31 to assume a similar position with the Milwaukee County Museum, Wisconsin. Charles Clark, photographer II, resigned in April to take a similar position with the SBI. Walton Haywood was promoted to photographer II, and James Moore was promoted to photographic assistant.

Colleges and Universities

Duke University

The Virginia Gearhart Gray Endowment Fund has been established in memory of the former assistant curator of manuscripts at Duke University. The fund, totaling over $13,500, includes memorial contributions given in honor of Dr. Gray and royalties from the sale of the microfilm edition of a major portion of the Socialist Party of America Papers, produced by the Microfilming Corporation of America. The fund will support the acquisition of manuscripts and other related materials pertaining to American history and culture.

Guilford College

Effective June 1, Drs. Martha H. Cooley and James F. Gifford were promoted to the rank of associate professor of history.

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Dr. H. G. Jones, curator of the North Carolina Collection, participated in a council meeting of the American Association for State and Local History in Nashville, Tennessee, April 6 and 7.

State, County, and Local Groups

Association of Historians in Eastern North Carolina

The association met April 30 at East Carolina University. Officers elected for 1976-1977 are William R. Dempsey of Fayetteville State University, president; Vernon O. Stumpf of Campbell College, first vice-president; F. Andrew Rowe of the James Sprunt Institute, second vice-president; Larry W. Usilton of the University of North Carolina at Wilmington, secretary; and Bruce R. Pulliam of Methodist College, treasurer. Members-at-large of the Executive Council chosen at the meeting are Claude H. Moore of Mount Olive College, for the remaining year of a two-year term; and Mrs. Jacqueline R. Heston of Rocky Mount Senior High School for a two-year term. Walser H. Allen, Jr., of the University of North Carolina at Wilmington served as chairman of the nomination committee. The association heard addresses by Dr. William N. Still of East Carolina University, retiring president, and by Dr. Larry E. Tise, director of the Division of Archives and History.

Baptist Historical Collection

The collection, at Wake Forest University, has received its computer print-out of the 1974 index to the *Biblical Recorder*. Copies are available in the office of the Baptist weekly and also in the office of the general secretary-treasurer in the Baptist State Convention Building in Raleigh. A limited number of the indexes will be made available at cost to other Baptist schools. A print-out of the index to issues for 1834-1839 and for 1975 is expected soon.

Chapel Hill Historical Society

The April 25 meeting, held in the Institute of Government, was a film photographed in the 1930s entitled "The Area's Black Community." Nar-

ration was by a former president of the society, Roger Foushee. John Allcot conducted his annual Campus Walk during commencement at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill on May 8. On May 11 members took a one-day bus trip to Winston-Salem to visit Old Salem and other historic sites in the vicinity. Mrs. Lynn Igoe prepared for the society a pictorial map of the campus in the early 1800s; the map was reproduced in cream and brown printed on fine paper, and sold during commencement at several locations in Chapel Hill.

Columbus County Historical Society

The society was reorganized May 10 at Southeastern Community College Plans were made to hold meetings the second Monday of each month at 8:00 and it was decided that the June meeting would be devoted to a discussion o projects the society would undertake. Ralph Woodard discussed progress being made on the county history, a project of the county bicentennial commission. Officers elected at the May meeting are John A. McNeil, president; Mrs. Catherine Yates, vice-president; Miss Jane Lewis, secretary-treasurer; and Miss Alice Lowe, historian.

Cumberland County Historical Society

A commemorative plate was presented by the society to Methodist College in memory of former president Jack Crane. The plate shows Lafayette signing his enlistment in the American army during the Revolution. It will be placed in the Lafayette Room of the Davis Memorial Library where there is a special collection of books and documents and memorabilia relating to Lafayette. Formal presentation was made by Mrs. W. D. Sherman, president of the society, Miss Kitty Purdie, and Mrs. Jack Crane to Dr. Samuel J Womack, dean of Methodist College.

Mrs. W. D. Sherman, left, tells D Samuel J. Womack and Mrs. Jac Crane about the Lafayette commen orative plate. (Photo from New Bureau, Methodist College.)

Davidson County Historical Association

After copy for the May issue of *Carolina Comments* had gone to press, notice was received of a correction in the list of officers of the association. Mrs. Harriet Zimmerman, assistant treasurer, assumed the office of treasurer upon the resignation of Mr. L. M. Grimes, Jr.

Duplin County Historical Society

Meeting on April 3 at the Rose Hill Restaurant, members of the society saw a skit by the Bicentennial Belles, who are seniors at James Kenan High School. They were introduced by Edgar Wells. Mrs. Wayne Jordan, chair-

man of the Duplin Bicentennial Commission, reported on progress made on the park at Rockfish Battleground, where a monument is to be erected. A booklet listing historic sites in Duplin County, begun by P. B. Raeford prior to his death, has been completed and is available. Presiding was John A. Johnson of Warsaw, new president of the society. During the business session members voted to join the Federation of North Carolina Historical Societies.

Federation of North Carolina Historical Societies

As of mid-May the Federation of North Carolina Historical Societies had accepted memberships from the following organizations: Wake County Historical Society, Raleigh Historic Properties Commission, Stokes County Historical Society, Northwest North Carolina Historical Association, Mordecai Square Historical Society, Historic Flat Rock, Baptist Historical Collection, Perquimans County Restoration Association, Roanoke Island Historical Association, Gates County Historical Society, Rockingham County Historical Society, Caswell County Historical Society, Swansboro Historical Association, Hyde County Historical Society, and Edgecombe County Historical Society. Currently in preparation by the Division of Archives and History is a brochure listing program suggestions for local societies. This brochure will be sent to member organizations of the federation soon. Nearly forty completed questionnaires have been received from various organizations; they will be used in issuing a directory of such associations to federation members this fall.

Gaston County Historical Society

Alan Stout, director of the Schiele Museum, presented a slide program entitled "Living History" when the society met on February 20. Events sponsored by the museum as part of the bicentennial observance were included. The group voted to cosponsor with the Gaston County Bicentennial Committee the Bicentennial Gaston County Tour on April 22 and 24 and to pay up to $200 to publish historical maps for the tour. The society also voted to reprint *County of Gaston* by Cope and Wellman.

Greensboro Historical Museum

William J. Moore, director, and Patricia Hurdle, curator of collections, attended the American Association of Museums Accreditation Workshop for the Southeast Region in Raleigh on March 29. A special bicentennial exhibit, "Milestones of Blacks," was organized by Mrs. Mattye Reed, director of the African Heritage Center at A&T State University; it was open to the public at the Greensboro Historical Museum from April 1 to 11.

Historic Hillsborough Commission

The commission recently learned that the National Portrait Gallery of the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C., had accepted a collection of photographs, slides, and listed works of several artists of the Shepperd Strudwick, Sr., family and biographical data on members of the family. Shepperd Strudwick, Sr. (1868-1961), was a woodcarver; his sons Clement Read Strudwick (1900-1958) and Edmund Strudwick III (1909-1961) were portrait painters. The Strudwick project was undertaken by the Bicentennial

Committee of the Historic Hillsborough Commission. Miss Evelyn Lloyd served as chairman of the endeavor.

On April 20 Mr. Michael O. Smith of the Historic Sites Section, Division of Archives and History, showed slides of appropriate home furnishings for the period 1837-1857 and discussed with the commission the procedure for beginning an acquisitions program for the Burwell School.

Historic Jamestown Society, Inc.

The society's *Farmer's Advocate and Miscellaneous Reporter*, "Published Sporadically, but Enthusiastically," reported that E. Frank Stephenson, Jr., of Historic Murfreesboro was to speak on May 12 on "Ten-year Program—Community Development of a Small Town." Plans were also announced in the April issue for the opening of the Mendenhall House on July 3 and 4; guided tours were planned in coordination with High Point's "Day in the Park." The publication included an article by Jane Wade, "Jamestown Female College"; and one by John C. Stuart, Jr., entitled "Notes on the Postal History of Jamestown." President of Historic Jamestown Society is Jack L. Perdue.

Historic Wilmington Foundation

Guest speaker at the April 6 meeting was Mr. Shun Kanda of the School of Design at North Carolina State University. He presented a taped program on store fronts on North Front Street, and with the aid of slides showed how some of the old store fronts could be reclaimed. The May Festival, held May 15-16, included two cruises on the Cape Fear River as well as a country fair and a tour of twelve historic residences and buildings. Proceeds from the tour went toward preservation projects of the Historic Wilmington Foundation in the historic district of over 200 blocks.

Historical Society of North Carolina

The spring meeting was held at Wake Forest University April 23. Following a coffee hour, Dr. Lala Carr Steelman of East Carolina University read a paper entitled "The Role of Elias Carr in the North Carolina Farmers' Alliance, 1887-1892," and Dr. Jeffrey J. Crow of the staff of the North Carolina Bicentennial Committee presented a paper on "Daniel Lindsay Russell and the Tradition of Dissent in the South." Evening speakers were Dr. Max R. Williams of Western Carolina University, whose paper was "William A. Graham and the Union: A Study in Dedication and Frustration," and Dr. E. P. Douglass of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill whose topic was "The Creation of Political Institutions: The Experience of the American, French, and Russian Revolutions." President Joseph F. Steelman of East Carolina University presided.

Lower Cape Fear Historical Society

The annual meeting of the society was held May 2 at St. James Parish House. Mr. William Augustus Blount Stewart of Washington, D.C., spoke on Washington's Southern Tour. The May issue of the society's *Bulletin* featured an article by James H. Blackmore, "Herrall Blackmore: An Unknown Hero of American Independence."

Moore County Bicentennial Committee

In cooperation with the Moore County Schools, the committee sponsored a bicentennial literary contest. Billiegene Garner, cultural arts director, felt that one project deserved statewide coverage. This on-going project was entered by the Museum Project Class of Union Pines High School under the leadership of Dr. Bartlett Chappell, English instructor. In 1974 the class submitted a research paper documenting its progress toward restoring one building of the Union Home School, a private academy that stood on the grounds of the present high school. The class redrew the school plan outline and reclaimed numerous artifacts which had belonged to the school. The 1975 second entry was a photographic essay which showed various stages of the reconstruction of the schoolhouse and several interesting construction features. The final entry, "The Laying of Cornerstones," involved a research document as well as the actual ceremony of cornerstone laying for the planned museum.

Moravian Music Foundation

This year the foundation is celebrating its twentieth anniversary, and a picnic supper and musical festival was scheduled for May 1 at Salem College in recognition of the occasion. Growth of the organization is manifest in many ways. In 1956 there were two part-time employees and now there are seven fulltime and seven part-time people; originally the foundation occupied three rooms in the Salem archives and now it has its own headquarters building and an office in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania; at the beginning the foundation had about 4,000 manuscripts as compared to over 10,000 today; and there were about 100 volumes in 1956 compared to over 6,000 in 1976. Equally impressive results can be seen in other areas.

Museum of the Albemarle

The annual spring tour was planned for Perquimans County this year, with the Towe complex, just north of Hertford, and the William Nixon home being included. The museum also conducted a white elephant sale in May as one of its fund-raising projects.

North Carolina Division of the National Society of Magna Carta Dames

The division met Thursday, May 13, for a coffee hour at the Executive Mansion with Mrs. James E. Holshouser, Jr., as hostess. At the luncheon meeting held at the Woman's Club in Raleigh, Mrs. Kern Holoman spoke on "Bicentennial Highlights."

North Carolina Literary and Historical Association

Membership chairmen have been named for several college and university campuses and for a number of counties, according to Mrs. Memory F. Mitchell, secretary-treasurer of the association. Those who have accepted responsibility for membership, as of April 30, are: Hugh B. Johnston, Jr., Atlantic Christian College; Dr. W. Conard Gass, Campbell College and Harnett County; Dr. J. Isaac Copeland, University of North Carolina at

Chapel Hill; Dr. Bruce E. Whitaker, Chowan College; Dr. William E. King, Duke University and Durham; Drs. Carole and George Troxler, Elon College; Dr. Richard W. Iobst, Jackson County; Dr. L. B. Pope, Kernersville and High Point area; Dr. Harley E. Jolley, Mars Hill College; Dr. Thomas C. Parramore, Meredith College; Dr. Robert N. Elliott, North Carolina State University; Mr. David K. Eliades, Pembroke State University and Robeson County; Dr. Lawrence F. Brewster, Pitt County; Dr. Lindley S. Butler, Rockingham Community College and surrounding area; Mrs. J. W. Watson, Rocky Mount and vicinity; Dr. Elgiva D. Watson, St. Mary's College; Dr. Alan D. Watson, University of North Carolina at Wilmington; and Mr. John R. Woodard, Wake Forest University. Persons interested in working on membership in other areas of the state should write to Mrs. Mitchell at 109 E. Jones St., Raleigh, 27611.

North Carolina Presbyterian Historical Society

The thirteenth annual meeting of the North Carolina Presbyterian Historical Society was held at Peace College in Raleigh on April 9, with the president, Adm. A. M. Patterson, presiding. Following the business meeting and lunch a program of music was provided by the Peace College Chamber Singers. Dr. Durward Stokes of Elon College addressed the society on "The Influence of Presbyterian Clergy in North Carolina on the Revolution." In recognition of their services to the society, plaques were presented to the past presidents. A slate of officers for the coming biennium was elected, including Hon. Robert W. Scott, president; Rev. John R. Dail, first vice-president; Col. Henry E. Kendall, second vice-president; and Rev. French Cowan, third vice-president. Mr. Vernal R. Jensen continues to serve as secretary-treasurer. The 1976 fall meeting and tour of historic churches is scheduled to be held at St. Andrews College and surrounding area.

Pender County Historical Society

The society met April 25 in the Pender County Library. The following officers were elected: Terry Maze, president; Mrs. Eleanor D. Casey, first vice-president; Mrs. Ann Hoover Dees, second vice-president; Mrs. Ruth P. Blake, recording secretary; Miss Harriett Blake, treasurer; Mrs. George Casteen, corresponding secretary; and Wayne Arnold, historian.

Pitt County Historical Society

Sixty members and guests of the Pitt County Historical Society met on May 20 for a dinner meeting held at the Greenville Golf and Country Club. Dr. Ralph Hardee Rives, retiring president, spoke on "Pitt County on the Eve of the War for American Independence." Officers elected to serve for 1976-1977 are Dr. Joseph W. Congleton, Jr., Greenville, president; Mrs. C. Wesley Harvey, Greenville, vice-president; and Mrs. Cherry Easley, Farmville, secretary. Miss Annie Turner and W. Connor Eagles, both of Greenville, were reelected to serve as corresponding secretary and treasurer, respectively.

Richmond County Bicentennial Commission

The commission sponsored a Scottish Fair at Ellerbe Springs, Ellerbe, May 1 and 2. Senator Robert Morgan spoke at opening ceremonies; other

events included Highland games and "Wee Bairn" games for children, kilted pipers, drummers, dancers, 1776 battle reenactments, an arts and crafts exhibit, and a Gaelic worship service. The Saturday evening Tartan Ball was a highlight of the festival.

Rockingham County Historical Society

The society met April 11 to hear Mr. Joe Byerly, a Greensboro antique dealer, give a slide lecture and talk on "The Influence and Origins of North Carolina Decorative Arts." Copies of the first issue of the quarterly *Journal of Rockingham County History and Genealogy* were distributed at the meeting. The society passed a resolution requesting the county commissioners to consider preserving the old county jail as a museum.

Tryon Palace Commission

The commission met April 5-6 in New Bern, with Dr. Jeffrey J. Crow, historian of the North Carolina Bicentennial Committee, as the principal speaker the evening of April 5. A tribute program, honoring Mrs. Maude Moore Latham who was donor of the Tryon Palace Restoration, was held in the Latham Memorial Garden in the afternoon. Commission members toured the Mohn House, now being restored, prior to the semiannual dinner in the restored Jones House. The morning of April 6 was devoted to the commission's business meeting.

Wake County Historical Society

On May 22 more than forty members of the society participated in an all-day bus tour planned by Grady Carroll. Following an orientation period given in the municipal building, those on the tour visited a number of Murfreesboro sites including the Murfree House, the Reverend Thompson House, the William Rea Store, Chowan College, and the Roberts House. Lunch was served by the Murfreesboro Woman's Club in the restored Hertford Academy, now owned by the club. Costumed guides from the Murfreesboro Historical Association told something of the history of each structure visited by the Wake group.

Wake Forest College Birthplace Society, Inc.

Interest in restoration of the Calvin Jones House, known as the birthplace of Wake Forest College (University) in Wake Forest was renewed last year when the Wake Forest Woman's Club took as its bicentennial project the decoration of the restroom suite and was furthered in January of this year when the Community Council painted the exterior of the house. Memorial plates are being sold to pay for the painting, which cost $995. Dormant since the death of the society's president, Christopher Crittenden, the project has been supported by the 1976 membership of 113 persons. A drive for members was conducted in Wake Forest this year, and the annual meeting was held April 30. Further information may be obtained from Mrs. Olin T. Binkley, treasurer of the society, at Box 311, Wake Forest, 27587.

Western North Carolina Historical Association

On April 24 the association met on the Appalachian State University cam-

pus at Boone with the Department of History as host. Mr. Ivey Moore of North Wilkesboro and Capt. C. W. Ramsey (USN Ret.) of Hillsborough discussed the matter of the Daniel Boone Trail becoming part of the National Trailways System. Mr. Robert L. Buckner showed slides and discussed the latest news relating to the South Fork New River and the controversy concerning its incorporation into the Natural and Scenic Rivers System. April 29-May 1 an art show and sale was held at Fernihurst, the old Connally home behind the Smith-McDowell House in Asheville; and on June 26 the Country Market and Fair took place at the Smith-McDowell House. Both projects were fund-raising efforts on behalf of the Smith-McDowell restoration.

Calendar of Scheduled Events

July 1-5, Capital City Open House, Division of Archives and History in cooperation with the Wake County Bicentennial Committee, 8:30-5:30, except for July 4, 1:00-5:30; State Capitol, Capital Area Visitor Center, various historic sites in Raleigh open to public

July 3, Official opening of Fort Dobbs State Historic Site, Amphitheater, Fort Dobbs, near Statesville, 8:30 P.M., Dr. Larry E. Tise, speaker

July 4, Dedication of the Museum of the Cherokee Indian, Cherokee, 1:30

Dedication of Bicentennial Plaza, Raleigh, 1:30-2:30

Dedication of State Capitol, 2:30-3:30; Gov. James E. Holshouser, Jr., to deliver Bicentennial Address from second-floor portico, east side, at approximately 3:00

National Guard Band Concert, 3:30-4:30

July 5, Walking tour of Capitol Square, beginning at Statue of Three Presidents, east side of Capitol, 10:00; sponsored by Wake County Historical Society, led by Dr. Thornton W. Mitchell

July 7-August 14, Drama at House in the Horseshoe, Moore County, each Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday night at 8:45

July 15, Publication of first volume of *The Papers of James Iredell*, edited by Dr. Don Higginbotham

July 20, Film of dissent, "A Majority of One," Archives and History-State Library Building auditorium, 8:00 P.M.

July 25, Rededication of Thomas Wolfe Memorial, 2:00 P.M., at Thomas Wolfe Memorial State Historic Site, Asheville

September 16-17, Historic Properties Commissions Workshop, Archives and History-State Library Building; contact C. Greer Suttlemyre, Jr., Historic Preservation Section, for information

"Month of Sundays" at North Carolina Museum of History; each Sunday at 3:00

July 4, Open House

July 11, "These States"

July, 18, "The Star Spangled Banner," "Troublous Times," "The First Civil War," and " 'First in Freedom' "

July 25, "Johnny Tremain: Boston Tea Party" and "Johnny Tremain: The Shot Heard 'Round the World"

August programs are all from the "Last of the Wild" series
August 1, "The Crocodiles" and "The Hippopotamus"
August 8, "The Dolphins" and "The Cheetah"
August 15, "The Camel" and "The Giraffe"
August 22, "Buffalo and Bison" and "Giant Constrictors"
August 29, "The Kangaroo," "The African Elephant," and "Zebra and Wildebeest"

Questions from the Mail

Q. Does the State Archives have birth certificates on file?

A. No. North Carolina did not officially record births until January 1, 1914. For births before 1914, delayed birth certificates may be obtained by furnishing certain documentation to the register of deeds in the county of birth. The register should be contacted for instruction. Copies of recorded birth certificates are available from the register of deeds in the county of birth or from the Vital Records Branch, Epidemiology Section, Division of Health Services, Department of Human Resources, 225 N. McDowell St., Raleigh. The fee for a certified copy from the state agency is $2.00.

Q. Is it possible to borrow microfilm from the CORE collection?

A. Yes. This collection, which includes microfilm of the major records from counties in North Carolina, is available on loan through the State Library. Send orders to the Genealogical Services Branch, North Carolina State Library, 109 E. Jones St., Raleigh, 27611.

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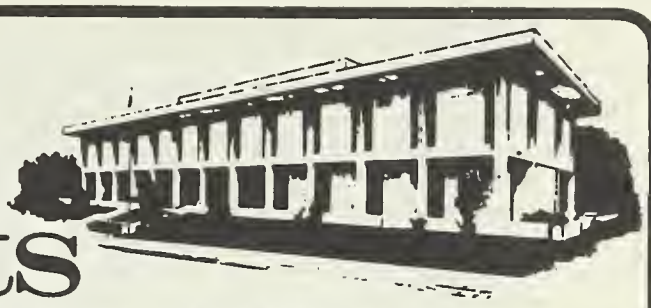

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Thomas Wolfe Memorial Is Rededicated

A new North Carolina historic site, Thomas Wolfe Memorial, was opened to visitors on Sunday afternoon, July 25, in Asheville, following several months of restoration work. The ceremonies, which began with a folk music concert by the Appalachian Women's Cooperative Band, included remarks by Ms. Kathleen McCarter, assistant secretary, Department of Cultural Resources; Dr. Larry Tise, director, Division of Archives and History; Bill B. Horton, vice-mayor of Asheville; and Fred Wolfe, Thomas Wolfe's brother. The featured speaker of the afternoon was Ms. Ketti Frings, the Los Angeles writer awarded a Pulitzer Prize for her 1958 stage adaptation of Wolfe's first novel, *Look Homeward, Angel.* Approximately 800 people attended the event, which was followed by an open house at the memorial.

The Thomas Wolfe home was maintained from 1949 until 1975 by the Thomas Wolfe Memorial Association and the city of Asheville and was open on a seasonal basis. In 1973 the memorial became a National Historic Landmark; it was acquired as a state historic site on July 1, 1974. Following acquisition of the property by the state, the staff of the Historic Sites Section studied the building and planned a program of preservation designed to maintain the "lived-in" appearance of the structure, while at the same time providing needed repairs, new electrical wiring, and a modern heating system.

The memorial, boyhood home of the famous Tar Heel author, was identified as "Dixieland" in Wolfe's first two autobiographical novels, *Look Homeward, Angel* and *Of Time and the River.* Mrs. Julia Westall Wolfe, Tom's

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Left, Dr. Richard Reed of UNC-Asheville and president of the Thomas Wolfe Memorial Association addresses dedication ceremony crowd; right, Dr. Reed confers with Fred Wolfe, brother of the author. (Photographs by Division of Archives and History unless otherwise noted.)

From the Director's Desk...

We are living in a most extraordinary time as regards the interest of people in history. During the course of the last year while I have had the pleasure of serving as director of the North Carolina Division of Archives and History, interest in history has grown by leaps and bounds. Whenever I have talked with various historical organizations, I have almost always taken a moment to talk about this "explosion" of interest and have tried to put it into perspective. While some people would find the cause in the fact that we are currently celebrating the bicentennial of the American Revolution, I would not. I believe there are other more fundamental causes which have impelled Americans by the millions to seek some contact with the past.

Seeking out our roots through the collection of antiques, the study of genealogy, the reading of popular historical works, the practice of forgotten crafts, or through the preservation of buildings and objects is an indication of our common need to identify who we are as Americans and as North Carolinians. It is also an indication of our need to touch something we feel to be good, firm, and enduring. It is finally a part of our common efforts to establish a national community and a series of local communities which are firmly rooted and lasting.

From the perspective of a public historical agency such as the Division of Archives and History, the ferment is both pleasing and troublesome. On the one hand it is probably easier than usual to interest people to become involved in historical organizations and programs. On the other, the division, not unlike other historical agencies, is besieged and bombarded by individuals, organizations, and interests demanding services far beyond our capabilities to deliver. From another perspective—and partly because the division has reached its productive limits—the explosion of interest has led to the creation of organizations, projects, and programs without professional advice and assistance. In the absence of such guidance, it is possible and even probable that some groups or organizations will run amuck in their efforts to deal with history.

I am reminded of one community in which a group of people persuaded their local governments to pour hundreds of thousands of dollars into the creation of a "historical" park which has nothing historical about it; of another community in which a historic properties commission is in the process of designating certain properties "historic" without any investigation of the history of the sites and structures so designated; of a historical society in another community which published a local history making claims of "nationally significant" historical events without properly documenting the claims; and of a thousand and one individuals and groups throughout the state creating shrines, museums, and sites of dubious historical value and significance. All of this leaves aside the matter of those people who distort history in the effort to make a few dollars on innocent tourists.

One solution to the problem might be to expand the Division of Archives and History to the point that its professional staff can have a hand in all things historical. That, however, is not likely to happen; nor would it be desirable. Another solution would be for all citizens, groups, and organizations to seek whatever advice the division can give and also to become a part of one of the statewide historical organizations growing up to deal with the needs of historical interests. There is an organization for almost every need attempting to deal with the whole range of historical matters. Among the most important are the following:

North Carolina Literary and Historical Association	(general history for individuals)
Historic Preservation Society of North Carolina	(historic preservation)
Federation of North Carolina Historical Societies	(general history for organizations)
North Carolina Institute of Applied History	(applications of history for college history departments)
Society of County and Local Historians	(local history for individuals)
North Carolina Museum of History Associates	(historical museums)
Tar Heel Junior Historian Association	(student historians)
Archaeological Society of North Carolina	(archaeology)
North Carolina Genealogical Society	(genealogy)

Further information on any or all of the foregoing organizations is available from the Division of Archives and History.

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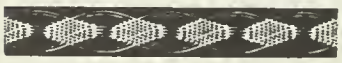


other, had purchased the house in 1906, operating it as a boardinghouse ntil the 1930s. Through the efforts of Wolfe's family and friends, the old ouse and its furnishings were preserved, giving visitors today a firsthand ok at the actual setting of two of Wolfe's novels, as well as the opportunity examine the lives of a middle-class family of the early twentieth century.

On Saturday night preceding the ceremonies invited guests and departental staff attended a performance of selections from the musical adaptaon of *Look Homeward, Angel*. Scheduled to open on Broadway next spring, ne new musical's first performance will take place in Boston on February 4. The performers included the producer/director, Philip Rose; Gary Geld, ongwriter; Peter Udell, lyricist; and three actors now working with Rose—oel Higgins, Leslie Ann Ray, and Reed Birney. The performance was held n the Asheville Community Theatre, located next door to Wolfe Memorial, nd was made possible through the generosity of Mr. Rose and the Asheville ommunity Theatre, aided by a grant from the Theatre Arts Section of the epartment of Cultural Resources. Following the performance, guests were nvited to a special reception held in the memorial.

The Thomas Wolfe Memorial has issued in pamphlet form Wolfe's article, Return," which he wrote for the *Asheville Citizen-Times*; the original was ublished in the May 16, 1937, edition. The reprint is available at the hisoric site for $2.50. It was edited and prepared for publication by Miss Myra hampion from materials in the Thomas Wolfe Collection in the public ibrary in Asheville.

Thomas Wolfe Memorial is located at 48 Spruce Street, Asheville, and is pen to visitors Tuesday through Saturday from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. and n Sunday from 1:00 until 5:00 P.M. The house is closed Monday. Admission s $1.00 for adults and $.50 for children.

State Capitol Rededicated

After being closed ten months for restoration, North Carolina's historic apitol was rededicated in ceremonies held the afternoon of July 4 as part f the state's bicentennial observance. The Capitol, completed in 1840, is one f the country's best preserved examples of a civic building in the Greek evival Style of architecture. Gov. James E. Holshouser, Jr., delivered his edicatory address from the east portico. Other speakers included Mrs. race J. Rohrer, secretary of cultural resources; Dr. Larry E. Tise, director f the Division of Archives and History; Lt. Gov. James B. Hunt, Jr.; and House Speaker James C. Green. The governor was introduced by Dick Ellis vho has headed the North Carolina Bicentennial Committee for the past everal months.

Preceding the Capitol ceremonies, the Bicentennial Plaza was dedicated, vith Governor Holshouser speaking and Mrs. Holshouser unveiling the laque. Music for the afternoon's program was presented by the Raleigh oys Choir, the American Guild of Handbell Ringers, and the National uard Band. Mrs. Jane Gower led in singing "The Star Spangled Banner" nd "The Old North State."

The Capitol is open Monday through Friday 8:30-5:30; special tours are cheduled through the Capital Area Visitor Center, (919) 829-3456.

Capital Area Visitor Center

The Capital Area Visitor Center, located at 301 N. Blount Street, Raleigh,

Blount Street home of the Capital Area Visitor Center.

which opened informally in March, 1976, now schedules and coordinate group and individual tours to historical and cultural sites and events in th Raleigh area. Information, directions, brochures, audiovisual programs parking, and restroom facilities are also available. The center may be reache c/o Division of Archives and History, Raleigh, North Carolina, 27611, or b calling (919) 829-3456.

Premiere of *Majority of One*

On the evening of July 20 the premiere of a new 28-minute motion pictur exploring the issue of dissent was held in the Archives and History-Stat Library Auditorium. *Majority of One*, produced by the Department of Cul tural Resources with a grant from the North Carolina Humanities Com mittee, explores the American freedom to dissent—from its first expressio in the Declaration of Independence through modern-day dissent in Nort Carolina. The film is a departmental contribution to the celebration of th American Revolution Bicentennial and is designed to serve as an impetu for further thought and discussion.

Majority of One was written by Lewis Lipsitz of the Department o Politics, UNC-CH; Don Mathews of the Department of History, UNC-CH Harmon Smith, Department of Religion, Duke University; Jeff Crow, Nort Carolina Bicentennial; and Larry Misenheimer and Allan Paul of the His toric Sites Section staff. Mr. Paul was producer/director for the project an was aided by Virgil Smithers of the Historic Sites Section.

The film, narrated by Tom Wicker, associate editor of the *New Yor Times*, includes on-camera comment by Wicker, Lyle and Susan Snider David Bansby, Sen. Sam Ervin, and Martha McKay. Roland Lashley ap pears in the film as Cornelius Harnett.

Majority of One will be scheduled for airing on North Carolina televisio stations and will be made available to interested groups through the Divisio of Archives and History and the State Library Audiovisual Service.

Bicentennial Pamphlets Published

Dr. Jeffrey Crow, editor of the North Carolina Bicentennial Committee' pamphlet series, has announced the publication of the seventh and eight titles. *North Carolina's Revolutionary Navy* is by Dr. William N. Still, Jr. of East Carolina University; and *Society in Revolutionary North Carolin* is by Dr. Alice E. Mathews of Western Carolina University. Both are avail able from the offices of the committee. Mail orders should be addressed t the North Carolina Bicentennial, 109 E. Jones St., Raleigh, 27611. Th pamphlets are $1.50 each.

Lit. and Hist. Members Asked for Help

During the spring of 1976, at the height of the budgetary crisis in state overnment, the Historical Publications Section of the Division of Archives nd History faced severe problems. At that time it appeared that money for rinting would be so drastically cut that, after outstanding encumbrances arried over into the new fiscal year had been paid, there would be only nough money to pay for the *North Carolina Historical Review*, *Carolina 'omments*, and perhaps one or two very small items. The outlook was indeed lum.

Throughout the years there have been close ties between the Division of rchives and History and the North Carolina Literary and Historical Asso- iation. The association does not engage in a publications program per se ut has cooperated with the division and has paid half of all membership ues into the division to provide subscriptions for all members to the *Review* nd *Carolina Comments*. Members also receive a 10 percent discount on ublications issued by the division.

Considering the fact that the association was instrumental in getting egislation enacted whereby a state historical agency was created by the eneral Assembly in 1903 and also taking into account the ties with the gency, it seemed logical to turn to the association when the financial crisis truck the publications program so forcefully.

Officers and members of the Executive Committee agreed that members of he Literary and Historical Association would welcome the opportunity to e of assistance. A plan was worked out whereby members would be asked o contribute to a revolving publications fund, to be set up by the North arolina Literary and Historical Association, for use when state funds for rinting were not available or were inadequate.

Early in June it was learned that a supplementary allotment had been made vailable to the Department of Cultural Resources, and outstanding encum- rances for printing would be paid before the end of the fiscal year. Though he immediate spring crisis was averted, members of the association are eing asked to contribute as planned so as to provide insurance against ossible crises of the future and so as to make money available when state unds are nonexistent or insufficient for particular needs. For example, a ifty-year cumulative index to the *North Carolina Historical Review* is under ay and is expected to be completed before this fiscal year ends, but state unds for printing this valuable research tool are inadequate. A publications und in Lit. and Hist. could provide needed money for projects such as this.

Included with each membership renewal bill will be a statement asking or a contribution, but readers do not need to wait for a formal solicitation. ifts to the association are tax deductible, and it is hoped that members will espond generously to the appeal.

Persons wishing to contribute at this time may do so by sending their hecks and the following information to Mrs. Memory F. Mitchell, Secretary- reasurer, North Carolina Literary and Historical Association, 109 E. Jones t., Raleigh, N.C., 27611. Checks should be made payable to the North Caro- ina Literary and Historical Association.

Name _____ Street, Box, RFD No. _____

City _____ Zip Code _____ Amount _____

Iredell Papers, Davie County History Available

Volume I of *The Papers of James Iredell*, edited by Don Higginbothan was released on July 15. The documentary volume, covering the years 176 1777, includes Iredell's diary, correspondence with political leaders and wit members of his family, and his essays on various matters pertaining to th American Revolution. Timed to coincide with the observance of the nation bicentennial, the volume presents an outstanding example of North Car lina leadership during the troublous times leading up to the Revolution. D Higginbotham, professor of history at the University of North Carolina a Chapel Hill and a well-known authority on the military history of the Rev lution, just recently returned to the Chapel Hill campus after a year's leav during which time he taught at West Point.

The second volume in the series, for the years 1778-1783, is scheduled fo publication the middle of this month. A formal presentation ceremony hono ing Dr. Higginbotham will be held on September 29. The volumes are $16.0 each.

The printing of the two volumes was subsidized by a $20,000 grant fro the National Historical Publications and Records Commission. The com mission earlier granted $10,000 to assist with transcribing, travel expense salary, and supplies for Dr. Higginbotham. The commission's interest i Iredell stemmed from the concern of the late Supreme Court Justice Feli Frankfurter that the noted North Carolinian be recognized through publ cation of his papers. Iredell was the first North Carolinian to serve on th United States Supreme Court.

Another new publication is *Davie County: A Brief History*, by James W Wall of Mocksville. Mr. Wall is the author of a definitive history of th county, published in 1969. The pamphlet edition is the fifth in the count history series being published by the Division of Archives and Histor Grants from the Smith Richardson Foundation and the North Carolin Bicentennial Committee made the publication possible. The 128-page, illus trated pamphlet is available for $1.50.

Recent reprints include *Records of Emigrants from England and Scotlan to North Carolina, 1774-1775*, edited by A. R. Newsome, and a paperbac edition of *The Formation of the North Carolina Counties, 1663-1943*, b D. L. Corbitt. The *Emigrants* pamphlet is $1.00 and the *Formation* book i $8.00.

Orders for the Iredell volumes, the Davie history, and the reprints shoul be sent to the Historical Publications Section, Division of Archives an History, 109 E. Jones St., Raleigh, 27611.

Courses Approved for IAH

On July 13 various representatives of the twenty-seven colleges and uni versities participating in the Institute of Applied History met at th Archives and History/State Library Building in Raleigh. There they ap proved seventeen courses to be offered in North Carolina colleges in th coming academic year. These courses pertain to applications of history t the kinds of social and cultural concerns dealt with in public historica agencies. Hence the term "applied history." Among the courses approve were some in archaeology, archives, records management, museology, his toric preservation, and oral history. Colleges and universities offering cer

tain of these courses next year are Duke, East Carolina, Lenoir Rhyne, Meredith, North Carolina State, Queens, UNC-Chapel Hill, and Wake Forest. In addition more than a dozen educational programs of the Division of Archives and History were approved for a nonacademic, certificate-granting status.

Dr. Larry E. Tise, director of the Division of Archives and History, presided over the meeting and expressed his pleasure that so many courses and certificate programs would be offered next fall despite the budgetary strictures of the past fiscal year. He reiterated his belief that the Institute of Applied History can train historians to function in nonacademic contexts—in public agencies, business and industry, counties and municipalities. The present job crisis for young historians does not arise from a lack of opportunities so much as from a lack of the proper kinds of training, he said. The Institute of Applied History can both train these young historians and identify job markets for them.

Museum of History Inaugurates "Family Nights"

The first "Family Night" at the North Carolina Museum of History was held on Thursday, July 22, from 7:00 to 10:00. Plans call for a program each Thursday night at 7:30, with a film or a special presentation by a staff member and refreshments. Though the program will last only an hour, the museum will be open for the three-hour period each "Family Night." According to John Ellington, museum administrator, the new schedule was established so that persons working during the day would have an opportunity to see the exhibits and participate in programs at the museum during their free hours.

Visitors should know that there is ample free parking in lighted lots directly across the street from the museum during the hours of the Thursday night openings. The Museum of History is located in the Archives and History-State Library Building at 109 East Jones Street in Raleigh. It is now closed on Mondays.

Trinidad Archivist Visits North Carolina

Miss June Awong, archives assistant from the National Archives of Trinidad and Tobago, recently spent six days of professional observation at the North Carolina State Archives studying programs dealing with state, county, and church records; reference services in the Search Room; document restoration; microfilming programs; iconographic services; overseas record-copying project; records management; and historical publications.

Paul P. Hoffman, head of the Archives Branch, coordinated Miss Awong's brief study program, as well as her participation in bicentennial festivities during her July 4-13 visit.

Last year Miss Awong, who has had eight years experience in the National Archives at Port of Spain, Trinidad, completed advanced courses in

archival administration and records management at the Public Archives of Canada in Ottawa. Currently she is on a two-month UNESCO international fellowship at the National Archives in Washington, D.C. In October she will go to England to begin a special certificate course of several months duration in archival administration at the University of London.

Calendars, Recipes Available on Microfilm

Researchers may now purchase microfilm reels of various calendars which have heretofore only been available in manuscript form in the Search Room. These calendars are finding aids which list chronologically the documents in a collection with an abstract of the contents. Two of the calendars are relative to the colonial period. The calendar to the collection of *Colonial Governors Papers*, although it spans 1688 to 1775, is a concentration of the papers of Gov. Arthur Dobbs and his successor William Tryon, 1754-1771 (calendar compiled in 1971; 1 reel). About 1/16 of the letters listed in a calendar to the *English Records Collection* are from the seventeenth century (150 items); the balance are eighteenth-century documents. This collection contains North Carolina documents copied from records in London several years ago (calendar compiled in 1970; 1 reel). North Carolina items currently being photocopied in London are referred to as the British Records Collection.

Also on microfilm is a calendar to *Governors Papers, 1836-1858*, which combines in one chronological list all letters in the governors letter books, as well as the incoming letters which were not copied into the letter books (calendar compiled in 1969; 1 reel).

Calendars to selected private collections, compiled 1926-1931, have been microfilmed on 1 reel: David L. Corbitt's *Calendars of Manuscript Collections*, Vol. I, indexed and published, 1926 (out of print) includes letters mounted in volumes, constituting a portion of today's collections of the papers of David L. Swain, E. J. Hale, Cornelia P. Spencer, William L. Saunders, and others. Also on this reel are Corbitt's unindexed and unpublished manuscript calendars compiled in 1931 to volumes of mounted letters in such collections as Bryan Grimes, W. H. S. Burgwyn, Zebulon B. Vance, and Walter Clark.

In response to public interest in nineteenth-century cookery and women's work, 4 manuscript and 4 printed recipe books with indexes have been placed on 1 reel of microfilm. The manuscript recipes date from 1830, 1846, 1858, and 1859; the published recipes, with compendiums on housewifery, are dated 1802, 1811, 1845, and 1860. This particular reel may be purchased from the Archives Branch or borrowed on interlibrary loan from the State Library. A duplicate reel of microfilm costs $12.00.

Archives Adds to Accessions

Ninety-four accessions entries were made by the Archives Branch during the three months March, April, and May. The Local Records Branch transferred significant groups of original records from Anson (131 boxes), Caswell (272 boxes and 14 marriage bonds), and Montgomery (136 boxes) counties as well as original records from Granville (3 items), Hertford (8 volumes), Moore (3 items), Perquimans (1 box and 3 volumes), and Rowan (2 items) counties and the Morgan District Superior Court (23 boxes).

Security microfilm of Caldwell, Harnett, Madison, and Tyrrell records along with security film of Caldwell, Harnett, Madison, and Tyrrell church records was also transferred.

State agency records accessioned included records of the Division of Archives and History, Director's Office (1 item) and the Archives and Records Section, general correspondence, 1972, 1973 (2½ cubic feet); the Department of Public Instruction (2 volumes); and the Supreme Court (2 manuscript boxes).

New private collections accessioned during the three-month period were the W. H. Carde Papers, the Glouchester Lumber Company Papers (ca. 175 cubic feet), the W. F. Morson Papers, and the John Wright Family Papers. Papers were added to the following existing collections: the Anni Albers Papers, the John Ashworth Papers, the Roberta Blair Collection, the Christopher Crittenden Papers, the Luther H. Hodges Papers, the Hugh Buckner Johnston Collection, the Ku Klux Klan Papers, the Elizabeth Moore Collection, and the Miscellaneous Papers.

Additions to the Audiovisual Collection included the Raleigh *News and Observer* photographic negatives, 1973-1974 (3 cubic feet); 16 reels of motion picture film including films of Albemarle, Burlington, Chapel Hill, Concord, Hillsborough, Lumberton, Wadesboro, and Wake Forest by H. Lee Waters; plus miscellaneous photographs, tape recordings, etc.

Organization records from the American Legion, the Daughters of the American Revolution, the North Carolina Mothers Association, and the United Daughters of the Confederacy were deposited in the Archives.

Among other accessions were copies of British Records (3,463 items); Selective Service Records (11 boxes and 6 maps); Harnett and Johnston County church records; cemetery records from Chatham, Durham, Forsyth, Moore, Orange, and Rowan counties; additions to the Local History Collection for Anson, New Hanover, and Wake counties; a collection of United States newspapers, 1789-1872, with articles relating to Indians (microfilm); a guest register from the Albert Hotel, New Bern; and 10 Miscellaneous Genealogies and Bible Records.

Archives and History Staff Changes Announced

The Survey and Planning Branch of the Preservation Section has expanded its roster of temporary employees to perform inventories in the following areas: Davyd F. Hood, Renee H. Gledhill-Earley, to work on the Tar-Neuse inventory; Mary Ann Lee, inventory of Raleigh in conjunction with the Raleigh City Planning Office; and Brenda J. Washington, who has been hired through the assistance of an ARBC grant to continue the black history inventory. Mr. Hood and Benjamin Alford also assisted the section during the survey of the New River area.

Ruth F. Smith has resigned as secretary in the Survey and Planning Branch; she was replaced by Deborah Kaczynski. Ruth Little-Stokes, also of the Survey and Planning Branch, resigned the end of July.

Mrs. Donna H. Goswick, editorial assistant in the Colonial Records Branch of the Historical Publications Section, resigned as of June 30 but was retained in a temporary position during July so as to complete an assignment. Her position was not funded by the General Assembly for 1976-1977. Mrs. Marion T. James, secretary in the section since February, 1964, retired at the end of August.

National Register Entries Pictured

Left, Shell Gas Station, corner Peachtree and Sprague streets, Winston-Salem, Forsyth County; right, Albania, Edenton, Chowan County.

Left, Wakelon School, Zebulon, Wake County; right, Mulberry Hill, Edenton vicinity, Chowan County.

Left, Grove Arcade (Federal Building), Asheville, Buncombe County; right, William A. Jeffreys House, Youngsville vicinity, Franklin County.

Left, Old Main, Pembroke State University, Robeson County; right, Agriculture Building, Raleigh, Wake County.

Left, Jefferson Standard Building, Market and Elm streets, Greensboro, Guilford County.

Drama at House in the Horseshoe

On Wednesday, July 7, the first performance of the drama, *House in the Horseshoe*, was presented at the North Carolina historic site of the same name. Preceding the 8:00 P.M. performance, the Moore County Historical Society was host for a buffet at the 1772 house. Invited guests included Mrs. Ernest Ives, longtime supporter of House in the Horseshoe.

The drama was produced by Joe Simmons for the Moore County Historical Society. The script explores events of the American Revolution connected with Phillip Alston, then owner of the house and plantation. Performances were given in a natural amphitheater near the front of the historic house, and the drama won critical acclaim both for its staging and its comedic approach to the historical material.

Queen's Museum and Log College Alumni Sought

An attempt is being made by Prof. William S. Powell to compile a list of students who attended David Caldwell's "Log College" that existed from about 1767 to 1822 in what is now Greensboro and Queen's Museum (or College) that operated in Charlotte beginning about 1771, migrated to Salisbury as Liberty Hall Academy, and perhaps returned to Charlotte before it closed about 1780. Information on these educational institutions is admittedly meager and contemporary references extremely rare, but the names of a few students are known from later sources. Anyone with such information is invited to send it to Mr. Powell at the Department of History, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, 27514. Documentation is especially requested in the hope that eventually a reliable list of alumni of both schools might be made available to researchers.

Obituaries

Mrs. Dorothy Gilbert Thorne, a member of the English faculty at Guilford College for many years, died in Rossville, Indiana, on June 6. Mrs. Thorne

contributed a number of articles to the *North Carolina Historical Review* in past years.

Francis Edward Winslow died in Rocky Mount on August 1. He was chairman of the Carolina Charter Tercentenary Commission from September 1, 1959, to December 31, 1963, and president of the Carolina Charter Corporation from September 14, 1960, to October 14, 1966.

Colleges and Universities

Guilford College

Dr. Alexander R. Stoesen was named a visiting Lilly Scholar at Duke University for the 1976-1977 academic year.

North Carolina State University

The following promotions were effective July 1: William C. Harris and John M. Riddle from associate professor to professor; James R. Banker from assistant professor to associate professor; and James E. Crisp from instructor to assistant professor. Dr. Stuart Noblin retired July 1 after twenty-nine years of service. New appointments are Gordon D. Newby, from Brandeis University, to associate professor and Gail O'Brien, from the University of Pittsburgh, to assistant professor. James E. Crisp was awarded the Ph.D. from Yale in June and was given the Beinecke Award for the outstanding dissertation submitted to the Department of History at Yale during 1976. James R. Banker, who has a NEH grant for 1976-1977, will be on leave during that period.

Pembroke State University

The bicentennial issue of the *Pembroke Magazine*, sponsored by the university and by the North Carolina Arts Council, was published in June. The annual publication is available for $3.00 by sending a check made out to *Pembroke Magazine* at P.O. Box 60, Pembroke State University, Pembroke, 28372. A large proportion of this seventh issue features works by and about Archibald MacLeish.

Wilkes Community College

The college and schoolchildren in the county are cooperating in a drive to build a library-historical building to honor James Larkin Pearson. Housed in the building will be tapes and cassettes telling the story of Wilkes County, Mr. Pearson's collections, and other resource materials. Mr. Pearson, who will be ninety-seven years old this month, was named North Carolina's poet laureate by Gov. William B. Umstead. Persons wishing to do so may send their tax-deductible contributions to Mrs. Mac Atwood, Wilkes Community College, Drawer 120, Wilkesboro, 28697.

State, County, and Local Groups

Carteret County Bicentennial Commission

A new book, *Carteret County during the American Revolution*, has been published by the commission. The limited edition of 2,000 copies includes original documents relating to Carteret County. Jean B. Kell, founder and first president of the Carteret Historical Research Association and former chairman of the commission, edited the book. Copies may be ordered for $10.75, including handling and postage, from the Carteret County Bicen-

tennial Commission, 301 Front Street, Beaufort, N.C., 28516. A full review will be published in an upcoming issue of the *North Carolina Historical Review*.

Friends of Historic Hope Foundation

A "Funds for Furnishings" campaign was inaugurated May 20 by the Friends of Historic Hope Foundation. Headed by Mrs. Ernest L. Ives and Wayland L. Jenkins, Jr., chairman and cochairman of the group, the successful drive had realized $8,500 by the end of June. It is expected that the drive will exceed $12,000 before it is completed.

John E. Tyler, president of Historic Hope Foundation, complimented the Friends of Hope when he stated that "the efforts and support of this dedicated group are invaluable to the progress of the Restoration." Among the group's previous projects have been refinancing the reconstruction of the rear porch of the mansion and the dairy building as well as individually promoting the restoration in various ways.

Gaston County Bicentennial Commission

The commission announced the opening of the Gaston County Art & History Museum, Inc., for July 4 at the Dallas Courthouse. The dedication ceremony took place that afternoon. Featured were "Frank Creech Retrospective '62-'76," "Gaston's pre-1900 textile history," "Historic sites exhibit," and "Victorian Village." The museum is open each Tuesday through Sunday afternoon from 1:00 until 5:00.

Gaston County Historical Society

The *Gaston County Historical Bulletin*, volume 22, number 2, was published in early July. Included were reports on various activities relating to the observance of the bicentennial, and several articles including the first part of "Women of Gaston," by Wilma Ratchford Craig.

Greensboro Historical Museum

A nineteenth-century doctor's office was incorporated into the Greensboro Historical Museum on May 27. Mrs. Caroleen Lambeth Keith, in honor of her husband, Dr. Marion Yates Keith, and her grandfather, Dr. E. R. Dorsett, provided money for construction of the office next to the Porter Drug Store and for the acquisition of a large collection of medical instruments. An 1865 microscope and pre-Civil War surgical instruments are significant acquisitions. On July 2 "Heritage II" opened as a bicentennial display with nine wall cases containing objects "highlighting the nation's past and future."

Historic Hillsborough Commission

Mrs. Alfred Engstrom was elected chairman of the commission at its May 19 meeting. Plans were announced by the commission's bicentennial committee for an "Attic-Basement-Cupboard Sale" on September 11. Proceeds will be used for the purchase of furniture for the restored Burwell School.

Historic Wilmington Foundation

The foundation recently purchased the Lazarus House at 314 Grace Street

in order to preserve it. The house was built about 1814; in recent years it has been used as a four-apartment structure. A Historic Wilmington 1977 Calendar is being sold by the foundation for $4.95; orders should be sent to the foundation's headquarters at 400 South Front Street, Wilmington, N.C., 28401.

Latta Place

The plantation house of James Latta, circa 1800, is open on alternate Sunday afternoons, and response has been encouraging. Administered by Latta Place, Inc., in cooperation with the Mecklenburg Historical Association and the Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners, the structure is on the National Register of Historic Places. Builder of the house was James Latta, a man of Scottish ancestry who came to America from northern Ireland in 1785; in 1799 he bought two tracts of land in Mecklenburg County and shortly thereafter began construction of his house. Mrs. Lawrence Boggs of Charlotte is president of Latta Place, Inc.

This rendering of the Latta Place was supplied by Dr. Chalmers G. Davidson, Davidson.

Lower Cape Fear Historical Society

The annual reception was held June 7 at the Latimer House. At that time the Clarendon Award "for outstanding contribution to the interpretation, appreciation and preservation of history of the Lower Cape Fear through historical writing" was presented to William M. Reaves for his six volumes of history of the area written for the *Wilmington Star-News*. At the May 8 meeting the following officers were elected: James Robert Warren, president; Mrs. Tilghman Poole, vice-president; Mrs. John Cashman, recording secretary; Miss Margaret Hall, corresponding secretary; Mrs. James D. Carr, treasurer; Mrs. Ida B. Kellam, archivist; and Mrs. Robert Walker, assistant archivist.

Moravian Music Foundation

Mrs. Paul H. Kolb recently joined the foundation staff as director of development. She will seek funding for major projects and will handle public relations activities.

North Carolina Literary and Historical Association

Since the July issue of *Carolina Comments* was published, several additional individuals have accepted responsibility for seeking new members for the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association. Miss Rebecca Swindell of Fairfield is working in Hyde County; Mr. M. Q. Plumblee of Burlington, in Caswell County; Dr. W. Wyan Washburn of Boiling Springs,

in Cleveland County; Dr. Lois Edinger of Greensboro, on the campus of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro; Miss Sarah E. Walker of Concord, in Cabarrus County; and Mr. Marshall Bullock of Fuquay Springs, in southern Wake County. Mrs. Memory F. Mitchell, secretary-treasurer of the association, reports that membership chairmen are being sought for other areas of the state; volunteers should write to her at 109 East Jones Street in Raleigh. A new brochure on the association has just been published and is available upon request to the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association.

Roanoke-Chowan Group

The group of artists and writers voted at the June 26 meeting to establish the Bernice Kelly Harris Memorial Scholarship in Creative Writing and English at Chowan College in Murfreesboro. A fund-raising drive of $5,000 is under way, headed by E. Frank Stephenson, Jr., of Murfreesboro, chairman of the scholarship committee. Bernice Kelly Harris, who wrote about eastern North Carolina and the people who lived there, won the Mayflower Cup in 1939 for her first book, *Purslane*.

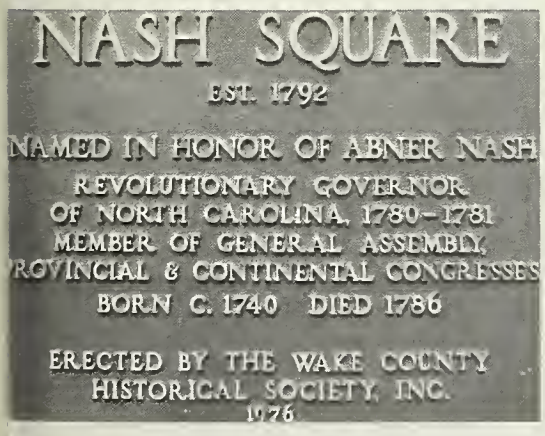
(Photograph from News Bureau, Chowan College.)

Rockingham County Historical Society

The society met June 13 at Lowe's Methodist Church, several miles southeast of Reidsville, to record the cemetery there. On June 7 the society presented a petition to the county commissioners asking that the old county jail be made available for a museum of the county's history.

Wake County Historical Society

On June 20 the society, as a contribution to the bicentennial, dedicated a plaque at the entrance to Raleigh's Nash Square in honor of Revolutionary Gov. Abner Nash, for whom the park was named. The plaque was unveiled by a Nash descendant, Abner Nash of Wake Forest. The society sponsored its fourteenth annual walking tour of the Capitol Square area in Raleigh on July 5, with Dr. Thornton W. Mitchell conducting the group participating in the tour.



Left, plaque honoring Gov. Abner Nash; right, Nash Square in Raleigh.

Calendar of Scheduled Events

November 30-December 4, Culture Week, Hilton Inn, Hillsborough Street, Raleigh

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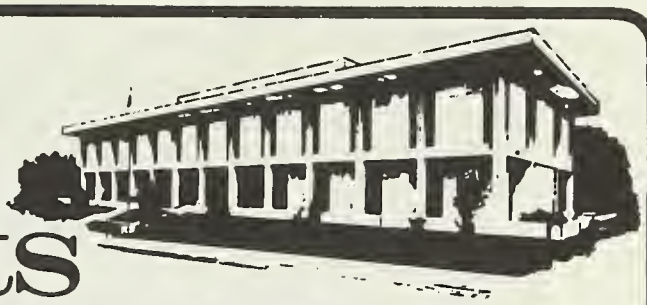

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Stagville Center for Preservation Technology Is Established

The Liggett Group, Inc., of Durham, recently donated the central portion of the historic Stagville Plantation in northeastern Durham County to the state of North Carolina. Valued in excess of $200,000, the seventy acres of land and several buildings apparently is the largest gift of historic property ever received by the state from private industry. The Division of Archives and History, in cooperation with the Historic Preservation Society of Durham, plans to develop the site as the Stagville Center for Preservation Technology. The center is envisioned as a comprehensive research and educational facility in the various aspects of historic and archaeological preservation technology. As such, Stagville will be the first such state center in the nation.

Liggett Group president, Raymond J. Mulligan, announced the gift at a news conference on August 5 at Liggett's world headquarters in Durham. Mulligan commended the Historic Preservation Society for bringing the need to preserve Stagville to the attention of the Durham community. Society president Dr. Elizabeth J. Locke acknowledged the position of the preservation of Stagville as a preeminent project of her group. Dr. Larry E. Tise, director of the Division of Archives and History, forecast the center's future as a practical institution involving more than learning from books: "The historic property itself will serve as a study laboratory for people—not just professionals, but other interested citizens—to learn by working with artifacts, eighteenth- and nineteenth-century buildings, and real problems in preservation."

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Stagville Plantation, the Bennehan House, is located on the old Oxford highway near Durham. (Photos by Division of Archives and History unless otherwise specified.)

From the Director's Desk...

During the course of the last two months since the appearance of the last issue of *Carolina Comments*, the Division of Archives and History has entered into several exciting new realms which are noted elsewhere in this issue. Because of their importance, I would like to make a couple of comments here.

1. *Stagville Center for Preservation Technology*: On August 5, the Liggett Group, Inc., of Durham, donated to the Division of Archives and History the heart of the old Stagville Plantation, one of the integral parts of the complex once known as Fairntosh and owned by the Cameron family. Along with the donation of land, subsequently evaluated as worth more than $200,000, the Liggett Group provided funds for the operation of what we are calling the "Stagville Center for Preservation Technology" for a period of eighteen months. Both in terms of the plantation's historical features and of its actual history, Stagville presents the division with a unique opportunity to create a center where students, professionals, and the public can study the methods and technology of historic preservation and the methods of studying material history. The land and the buildings are backed up with one of the largest private collections of papers and documents in North Carolina and a vital history of both black and white Americans. During the coming months, we will be working with a number of preservation organizations and with various educational institutions to develop an educational facility which will be unique in America. The educational program at the center will consist of both credit and noncredit courses offered in connection with member institutions of the North Carolina Institute of Applied History.

2. *NEH Grant to Continue Overseas Work on Colonial Records*: In recent years it has become increasingly difficult to persuade the General Assembly of the importance of a long-range program of the division to collect and publish *The Colonial Records of North Carolina*. Although the published volumes of *The Colonial Records* do not sell widely, no one ever believed that they would. The importance of the program has always been to collect the records of North Carolina in British repositories, to make copies of the records available in the State Archives, and to publish a new thoroughly edited edition of the records. Despite the fact that the division has not been able to persuade the General Assembly to place this project on a proper and permanent footing, it has received continuing support from private sources in North Carolina and elsewhere. The most recent endorsement with funding from NEH is a most pleasing indication, therefore, of the importance of the project and of the esteem in which it is held nationally—if not in North Carolina. Dr. William S. Price, Jr., Dr. Robert J. Cain, and the officers of the Carolina Charter Corporation are to be thanked for the most recent display of support.

3. *New River Campaign Is Victorious*: The Division of Archives and History has recently received widespread congratulations on the work it did to win the campaign to save the New River from inundation. While the work of the Archaeology and Historic Preservation sections has been noted throughout the state and the nation, it should be noted that the primary purpose of our work was to settle once and for all the historical and archaeological values of the area. If our professional contributions were helpful in the cause of saving the river, we are pleased. It is not often that the preservation of valuable historical and archaeological resources receives the acclaim that it gained in this very special case which was made into a national campaign.

4. *The Hyde Portrait*: The location of a portrait of Governor Edward Hyde (1711-1712) is a most significant event. Of North Carolina's thirty-one colonial governors, portraits of only three have been hitherto located. Although we have made every possible effort to purchase the portrait for inclusion in the collections of the Museum of History, the people of Ashton-under-Lyne have determined that the portrait—the earliest of a member of the prominent Hyde family—should remain in local hands. Nevertheless, with the support of the North Carolina Museum of History Associates we will be able to have the portrait on loan for a year and we will be able to have it reproduced. Thanks for the location and authentication of the portrait go to George Stevenson, a member of the staff who has been working in England for the past year.

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Richard Bennehan, a Virginian who became a leading planter of the Carolina Piedmont, first bought property in the Stagville area in 1776 and there completed in 1799 what is believed to be one of the oldest houses in Durham County. Bennehan fought in the American Revolution and later played key roles in the new University of North Carolina and the founding of the capital city of Raleigh. The plantation covered over 5,500 acres when he died in 1825. A generation later Stagville became a part of the greater Fairntosh Plantation, founded by Bennehan's son-in-law, Duncan Cameron, a wealthy lawyer, planter, and businessman. Five hundred slaves labored on the five separate Cameron properties in 1860. As late as 1890, Fairntosh (including Stagville) encompassed over fifty square miles in Durham and Wake counties. Stagville remained in the Cameron family until the Liggett Group, then Liggett and Myers Tobacco Company, purchased the land in 1954.

The site contains several notable structures which will be restored. The Bennehan House, included in the National Register of Historic Places, will become an administrative headquarters for the center. Of special interest are four two-story slave quarters. These unusual buildings, called Horton Grove, contain frames of hewn timber with the walls filled with brick and the entire structure covered with board and batten siding. An enormous frame barn built in the nineteenth century is still in use today.

As a result of the Liggett Group's generous funding of the initial eighteen months of operation at Stagville, activities are already under way at the site. Experienced Archives and History staff members will coordinate development at the site: John B. Flowers III has been named administrator, and Jimmie E. Renfrow will be site manager. Restoration in progress at the Bennehan House has involved the use of X-ray examination and when completed will include both interior and exterior restoration. Some archaeological investigation is also in progress on the property. In addition, plans are being completed for the initial educational programs at the new center.

Photographed at the Stagville Center news conference on August 5 were, left to right, Mr. Richard W. Sawyer, historic sites administrator; Dr. Richard Sanders, author of *The Cameron Plantation of Central North Carolina,* and professor at Duke University; Dr. Elizabeth H. Locke, president, Historic Preservation Society of Durham; Raymond J. Mulligan, president, Liggett Group, Inc., of Durham; Dr. William S. Price, Jr., assistant director, Division of Archives and History; John B. Flowers III, administrator, Stagville Center; Mrs. Albert G. Carr, Jr., chairman, Stagville Committee, Durham Preservation Society; Robert Fasick, vice-president, Liggett Group, Inc.; Mrs. Egbert Lynch Haywood, founding president, Historic Preservation Society of Durham; Dr. Larry E. Tise, director, Division of Archives and History; and Mrs. Grace J. Rohrer, secretary, Department of Cultural Resources.

Overseas Research Is Funded by Grant

Mrs. L. Y. Ballentine, president of the Carolina Charter Corporation, recently announced that the corporation had been awarded a grant of $44,000 from the National Endowment for the Humanities for continuation of the British Records Project. Begun in 1969, the project locates and photocopies documents in England relating to colonial North Carolina and makes them available for use at the Archives. Dr. Robert J. Cain, researcher in England from 1969 to 1975, and currently editor of the new series of *The Colonial Records of North Carolina*, will serve as director of the project; and a researcher will be employed to continue the work in England, beginning December 1. The gifts-and-matching grant is for three years, contingent upon matching funds of $22,000 being provided from private sources. At its meeting on October 8 the corporation considered various ways of raising the required amount.

Mr. George Stevenson, who served as overseas researcher for the past year, returned to his job as an archivist in the Archives and Records Section the first of October.

Iredell Volumes Presented to Chief Justice

On September 29 the first two volumes of *The Papers of James Iredell* were formally presented in ceremonies held in the conference room of the Archives and History-State Library Building. Director Larry E. Tise of the Division of Archives and History introduced Mrs. Memory F. Mitchell, historical publications administrator, who presented copies to the editor of the series, Dr. Don Higginbotham of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He, in turn, presented the volumes to Chief Justice Susie Sharp who accepted them on behalf of the North Carolina Supreme Court.

Members of the North Carolina Supreme Court and the Court of Appeals were special guests for the presentation. Several of Dr. Higginbotham's colleagues from Chapel Hill and a number of other distinguished guests were also present. A coffee hour followed the brief program.

Iredell, a leader during the American Revolution, was the first North Carolinian to serve on the United States Supreme Court. His papers include treatises on the Revolution; correspondence with his wife and other members of the family, as well as political leaders; and his diary. A third volume of correspondence is slated for publication at a future date. It, too, will be edited by Dr. Higginbotham. The fourth volume, which will consist of

Historical Publications Administrator Memory F. Mitchell (left) watches as editor Don Higginbotham presents copies of the Iredell Papers to Chief Justice Susie Sharp. The book display at the ceremony is also shown.

Iredell's legal papers, is being edited by Dr. John Semonche of the School of Law and Department of History at Chapel Hill. Volume I covers the years 1767-1777 and Volume II, 1778-1783. Each is priced at $16.00 and may be ordered from the Historical Publications Section of the Division of Archives and History.

Hyde Portrait Discovered

Soon after Mr. George Stevenson went to England as overseas researcher for the Colonial Records, he learned of the existence of a portrait of Edward Hyde, governor of North Carolina, 1711-1712. Nobody had known of a likeness of Hyde prior to its discovery by Mr. Norman H. Turner of Hazel Grove in Cheshire. The portrait had been given to Hyde Public Library several years ago after the death of a Miss Hyde-Clarke. Mr. Turner notified Mr. Stevenson of his find, and the North Carolinian went to look at the Hyde portrait just before Christmas of last year. Dr. Larry E. Tise soon thereafter initiated correspondence with the responsible officials in England with regard to the possible purchase of the portrait by the state of North Carolina, but a reply from Mr. T. M. Featherstone, chief librarian and arts officer of the Tameside Libraries and Arts Commission indicated an unwillingness to sell the portrait "because of its great local interest. . . ." (Tameside has responsibility for several "constituent authorities," including the area in which the portrait is located, according to Mr. Featherstone.)

This past summer Mr. Moussa Domit, director of the North Carolina Museum of Art, visited Europe and went to the city of Ashton-under-Lyne to see the Hyde portrait in the library there. The Board of Directors of the Museum of History Associates voted to support the acquisition, reproduction, and/or loan of the portrait by providing financial support. Mr. Domit was unable to persuade English officials to change their minds regarding purchase; but he did secure a commitment from those holding the portrait to permit its loan to North Carolina for one year, during which time it will be restored and reproduced. The Museum Associates will assist financially, and Mr. Domit is working with the Division of Archives and History in completing plans for bringing the portrait to North Carolina as indicated above.

Culture Week to Begin in November

This year the several societies meeting during Culture Week will return to the traditional dates, which are determined by the first-Friday-of-December date used for years by the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association. Beginning with the Roanoke Island Historical Association meeting on Tuesday, November 30, Culture Week will continue through the week with headquarters at the Hilton Inn on Hillsborough Street in Raleigh. The North Carolina Art Society will celebrate its fiftieth anniversary this year.

Of particular interest to readers of *Carolina Comments* will be meetings of the history-related organizations. The Roanoke Island Historical Association, the Historic Preservation Society of North Carolina, the North Carolina Genealogical Society, the North Carolina Museums Council, the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association, and the North Carolina Society of County and Local Historians will hold separate meetings, but the public is invited to attend the sessions and the luncheon and dinner meet-

ings. Programs will be mailed to members of the societies later this month.

The Historic Preservation Society's Thursday morning session will include a program on the topic "Preserving Our Industrial Heritage," with Mr. Brent Glass and Mr. James Vaseff as speakers. A case study of the Carr Mill Shopping Village in Carrboro will also be featured. New teachers of North Carolina history at North Carolina State University and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Drs. Gail O'Brien and Harry L. Watson, respectively, will speak at the morning session of the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association. The evening address, which precedes announcement of winners of the Christopher Crittenden, Sir Walter Raleigh, and Mayflower awards, will be presented by Dr. Richard S. Current of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, whose topic will be "North Carolina—First in Freedom?"

Capital Area Visitor Center Dedicated

The new Capital Area Visitor Center, 301 North Blount Street, Raleigh, was formally opened on October 5 at 12:30 when Gov. James E. Holshouser, Jr., cut a ribbon. Speaking at the dedication program were Secretary of Cultural Resources Grace J. Rohrer, Secretary of Administration Bruce Lentz, and Archives and History Director Larry E. Tise. Members of the Andrews and London families, for whom the house was named, were present. The historic structure was built in 1916 by Graham Andrews, who was mayor of Raleigh in 1939. Henry M. London was the state's legislative reference librarian from 1919 until his death in 1939.

Mrs. Helen Rhodes, former receptionist in the Department of Administration; Mrs. Ginger Gardner, former receptionist in the Albemarle Building; and Mrs. Margaret Fisher, supervisor, formerly a member of the staff of the North Carolina Art Society, operate the center. Though the formal opening occurred on October 5, the center has been open to the public since March.

Volunteers Needed for State Capitol Program

After being closed for several months during restoration, the State Capitol is again open to the public. Special guided tours are available by appointment, and educational programs are featured at the Capitol for the first time. Volunteers are needed to give gallery tours, prepare and present slide programs, do historical research, and prepare interpretive materials. Persons interested in scheduling tours or working as volunteers should contact Margaret Bailey by calling (919) 829-4994 or by writing to her at the Department of Cultural Resources, 109 East Jones Street, Raleigh, 27611.

Workshop Slated for Genealogists

On December 9-10 an Archives Workshop for Beginning Genealogists will be repeated in the Archives and History-State Library Building. Enrollment will be limited to eighty persons on a first-come, first-served basis. Sessions will be devoted to methodology, nonrecord sources, land records, wills and estate records, census records, and English records. The workshop staff will be drawn mainly from the professional staff of the Division of Archives and

History, but some sessions will be conducted by specialists who are not connected with the Archives. Information is available from Paul P. Hoffman, Head, Archives Branch, Archives and Records Section, 109 East Jones Street, Raleigh, 27611, or by telephoning (919) 829-3952.

Archives Receives Grant

The North Carolina State Archives received word on October 1 that a two-year grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities had been awarded to support the revision and updating of the *Guide to Private Manuscript Collections in the North Carolina State Archives*. The grant is in the amount of $28,748 and will become effective December 1. It is expected that as the result of the grant the guide by Beth G. Crabtree, which was published in 1964, will be completely updated.

Archives Accessions Records

A total of ninety-three accessions were entered by the Archives Branch during June, July, and August, 1976. The Local Records Branch transferred original records from Alamance (8 boxes), Bertie (18 boxes), Person (86 boxes), and Northampton (229 boxes) counties as well as security microfilm of Beaufort and Hyde County records; church records of Beaufort, Hyde, and Wake counties; and Washington municipal records.

State agency records accessioned included records from the Board of Refrigeration Examiners (15 items and one reel) and the Secretary of State, Commissions of Notaries Public (125 post binders).

New private manuscript collections were the Biggerstaff Family Papers, the Bishop Laundry Company, Inc., Papers, the Bonsack Cigarette Machine Company Papers, the Boomer Ledger (microfilm), the Brice Family Papers (microfilm), the E. R. and Della G. Carroll Papers, the Ebenezer Academy Record Book (microfilm), the Zachariah Eborn Papers, the Thomas McMillan Grant Papers, the Tucker R. Littleton Papers, the J. Lee Pharr Collection, the Herbert Woodley Simpson Papers, the Mrs. Sterling Stoudemire Collection, the Herman W. Taylor Collection, and the Union Copper Mines Company Papers. Additions were made to the Black Mountain College Miscellaneous Collection, the Henry Toole Clark Papers, the Frank M. Harper Papers, the William Dallas Herring Papers (microfilm), the W. W. Holden Papers, the William Henry Holleman Papers, the Andrew Jackson Papers, the George M. London Collection, the William R. Valentiner Papers, and the Gertrude Weil Papers.

Organization records were received from the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Daughters of the Revolution of 1776, the Raleigh Garden Club, Southwood Junior College, and the Thomas Wolfe Memorial Association.

Among other records were cemetery records of Gaston County, additions to the Military Collection for World War I and the Civil War, church records from New Hanover and Franklin counties, copies of British records (1,187 items and 21 reels), translations of part of the Spanish records, additions to the Local History Collection from Wake and Pitt counties, 2 motion picture films, and 10 Miscellaneous Genealogies and Bible Records.

New Branch Created for Historical Publications; Cultural Resources Staff Changes Announced

Effective January 1 the Historical Publications Section will be reorganized so as to include a General Publications Branch. Heading this new unit will be Dr. Jeffrey Crow who has been editor of the publications issued by the North Carolina Bicentennial Committee. Dr. Crow, whose Ph.D. is from Duke University, transferred to the Historical Publications Section October 1. He is now completing work on pamphlets initiated by the NCBC. Dr. Crow will assume responsibility for *Carolina Comments,* beginning with the January issue, and will be responsible for the supervision and planning of documentaries and pamphlets published by the Division of Archives and History.

Mrs. Henri T. Dawkins was promoted to secretary IV following the retirement of Mrs. Marion James in the Historical Publications Section. Her old job was filled by the transfer of Mrs. Cora B. Sherron as accounting clerk III. Mrs. Sherron's position as transcribing typist III in the Civil War Roster Branch was filled by the employment of Miss Nancy Pentecost, a recent graduate of Meredith College.

Elsewhere in the Division of Archives and History there have also been personnel changes. Brent D. Glass of Chapel Hill was appointed assistant director for preservation programs of the Division of Archives and History, effective October 1. Mr. Glass, a native of Brooklyn, New York, received his bachelor's degree from Lafayette College and his master's from New York University. He is completing work for his doctorate at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Prior to joining the Archives and History staff, Mr. Glass was assistant director of the Southern Oral History Program of the Chapel Hill university. Miss Elizabeth Buford recently joined the staff of the director's office on a part-time basis to provide services to historical societies and organizations throughout North Carolina. She is also continuing her part-time work as a marketing specialist with the Historical Publications Section.

Robert E. Winters, Jr., is now working on a part-time basis in the Museum of History as an editor of museum publications. He formerly edited and published *Southern Antiques and Interiors* (later called *Preservation Spectator*). Cathy S. Rollins, a 1976 graduate of Meredith College, is a temporary employee in the Audiovisual Media Services Branch.

The Historic Sites Section has experienced several staff changes. Dr. Kent Schneider resigned as archaeologist to join the U.S. Forest Service. Ava Garrett became site manager at the James Iredell House, succeeding Louis Hafermehl, who became grants administrator in the director's office in Raleigh. Earl Batchelor, former grounds maintenance man at the House in the Horseshoe, became acting site manager after the resignation of Sherwood Godwin. Jerry Farley replaced Jimmie E. Renfrow as assistant site manager at Aycock Birthplace after Mr. Renfrow went to Stagville as site manager. Jo Ramsay succeeded Barbara Koenig as restoration intern, and Cathy Verdone resumed her work as landscape architect intern. Nat Blevins became Raleigh coordinator for activities of sixty-three employees serving under the federally funded CETA program. Susan Clark began service as a part-time secretary for the section.

Several additions have been made to the staff of the Archaeology Section.

John W. Clauser, Jr., whose A.B. in anthropology is from Syracuse University and who is a candidate for a master's degree from the University of Florida, designed and executed the Krause-Butner Pottery Museum at Historic Bethabara Park in Winston-Salem and directed a number of archaeological investigations. Bruce A. Eberle is a Yale graduate with a M.A. in anthropology-archaeology from New York University; he has completed course work for his doctorate and has had field experience in New York and New Jersey. Jacqueline Ruth Fehon received her B.A. in anthropology from Wake Forest and her M.A. from the University of Arkansas. She, too, has had extensive laboratory and field experience.

Several people formerly employed on a temporary basis have joined the Preservation Section staff as permanent employees. Margaret Stephenson, in Field Services, is responsible for a number of nonstate-owned restoration-preservation projects. Michael Southern and H. McKelden Smith are architectural specialists in the Survey and Planning Branch and are inventorying, photographing, and analyzing the state's historic resources and preparing nominations to the National Register of Historic Places. James Sumner is a staff researcher. Janet K. Seapker, who served as acting administrator of the section for six months, was named administrator several weeks ago.

Major appointments within the Department of Cultural Resources, recently announced by Mrs. Grace J. Rohrer, include that of David N. McKay as director, Division of State Library, and state librarian; Mary Regan as director of the Arts Council, replacing Halsey North; and Alan Cooper as associate director of the Arts Council, filling the vacancy created by the appointment of Miss Regan.

Report Given on Activities at Historic Sites

Across the state several events occurred recently which marked important phases of development at a number of state historic sites. At Brunswick Town construction was completed on stabilization of the ruins of St. Philips Church (Anglican). The church is the major surviving historic structure of colonial Brunswick Town; it was dedicated in 1768 and burned by the British in the American Revolution. A large portion of the brick exterior walls has been preserved by the recent project.

Fort Dobbs was dedicated in ceremonies held in the evening of September 4. The affair was preceded by a picnic held for the Iredell County Bicentennial Commission and visitors from Raleigh. Mrs. J. S. Evans, chairman of the Iredell County Bicentennial Commission, introduced the members of the commission and the featured speaker, Dr. Larry Tise, director of the Division of Archives and History. Dr. Tise spoke about the history and significance of Fort Dobbs as a post on the frontier in the French and Indian War. After his remarks some 2,500 people enjoyed the pageant, *Fort Dobbs: A Music Drama*, which recounted the settling of Iredell County and the establishment of Fort Dobbs. The locally produced pageant was directed by Mrs. Martha Bradner Cline and Mr. Gene Krider. Mr. Krider also wrote the music. Mrs. Doris Waugh Betts and Mrs. Cline wrote the pageant, and Miss Susie Ford directed the choir. Mr. Ray Spengler served as technical director.

Acquisitions of artifacts for the visitor center at Reed Gold Mine accelerated in conjunction with the Gold History Corporation. Mr. J. Harold Nash, chairman of the corporation's artifacts committee, secured numerous items connected with mining history. Among them were two ore carts and

two iron kibbles (buckets) from Mr. and Mrs. Arthur D. Frye. Mr. Nash contributed a muffle furnace and mining hand tools from his own collection. Mr. and Mrs. Rexford L. Meadows gave a large furnace and crucible as well as a number of smaller artifacts. Other items received included scales, crucibles, coins, a nugget, and two safes.

Historic Properties Commissions Reviewed

During the summer of 1976 Bruce Tindall, an intern from the Institute of Government, worked in the Historic Preservation Section, studying the status and goals of eleven historic properties commissions. Commissions were reviewed in Rowan, Iredell, Transylvania, and Scotland counties; the cities of Raleigh, Selma, Wilson; and the joint commissions of Washington-Beaufort County, Charlotte-Mecklenburg County, Albemarle-Stanly County, and Winston-Salem-Forsyth County. Information is available from Kathleen Pepi, preservation planner in the Historic Preservation Section of the Division of Archives and History.

SAR Bicentennial Plaque Unveiled in Capitol

On June 1, 1974, the North Carolina Society of the Sons of the American Revolution planned its bicentennial projects, one of which was the gift to the state of a bronze plaque honoring North Carolina's Revolutionary governors: Richard Caswell, Abner Nash, Thomas Burke, and Alexander Martin. The board of governors of the society, on July 2, 1975, approved the design by Lynn Lewis Johnson of Greensboro, granddaughter of McDaniel Lewis, longtime chairman of the Executive Board of what was then called the State Department of Archives and History and a member of the SAR board. The plaque was formally presented to the state during the SAR convention in Raleigh on April 24, 1976, with Dr. Herbert C. Bradshaw, SAR president, presiding and William A. Cofer of Raleigh, chairman of the plaque committee, making the presentation. It was unveiled by Miss Johnson and accepted by Mrs. Grace J. Rohrer, secretary of the Department of Cultural Resources. Mr. Albert Coates, director emeritus of the Institute of Government in Chapel Hill, made the presentation address. The tablet was installed on the wall of the Capitol rotunda and formally dedicated on July 4 of this year.

A few of those attending the July 4 ceremonies in the Capitol were photographed following the unveiling by Dr. Larry E. Tise, shown to the left of the plaque. To its right are Mrs. Grace J. Rohrer and, beside her, designer Lynn Lewis Johnson.

Additions to National Register Pictured

Left, exterior, and right, interior, views of the First Baptist Church, Oak and Woodfin streets, Asheville, Buncombe County.

Left to right, Railroad depot, Warrenton Presbyterian Church, and Boyd-Kerr House, all in the Warrenton Historic District, Warrenton, Warren County.

Left to right, Emmanuel Episcopal Church, North Main Street, Warrenton Historic District, Warrenton; St. Joseph's A.M.E. Church, Fayetteville Street and 40 Expressway, Durham, Durham County; Methodist Church, Rockford Historic District, Surry County.

Left, High Street, looking south, Rockford Historic District; right, Grant-Burrus Hotel, also in the Rockford Historic District.

Left, State School for the Blind and Deaf dormitory, East Jones Street, Raleigh, Wake County (now used for state offices).

Report Given on Summer Demonstration Project

A Summer Demonstration Project was conducted for the Historic American Engineering Record, with James Vaseff, a Charlotte architect and instructor in architecture at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, in charge of the team. Record drawings and historical research were done on three endangered industrial structures: the Flowers Farm Cotton Press in Anson County, the Pamona Terra Cotta Manufacturing Company in Guilford County, and the Arista Cotton Mill in Forsyth County. Drawings and reports will be sent to Washington, D.C., for inclusion in the Historic American Engineering Record Collection at the Library of Congress. Plans are being made to conduct an extended recording project next summer.

Education Specialist at Tryon Palace Is Intern

Miss Julia Claypool, education specialist at Tryon Palace, is an intern at the Smithsonian Institution's Division of Military History this fall. She is working under Donald Kloster, assistant curator of the division, which is a section of the National Museum of History and Technology. The program includes cataloging items of a collection, techniques of exhibiting items, and participation in workshops.

Museum of Natural History Offers Use of Photographs

In recent months the Museum of Natural History staff has been working to classify and organize its photographic collection. Pictures are available for the use of authors and others who would like to use them. Arrangements for prints are made by the user with the Division of Archives and History since the Museum of Natural History does not have facilities for this service.

Subjects photographed include various aspects of agriculture in the early 1900s; boats and boating, livestock, a yaupon factory, and other photographs of Cape Hatteras, taken between 1900 and 1905 by H. H. Brimley; various birds, fish, mammals, reptiles, etc.; some pre-1900 shots of industries relating to fishing, forestry, etc.; scenes of the State Fair; and many others. Persons interested in using the collection should contact Sarah Robinson at the Museum of Natural History in the Agriculture Building in Raleigh or by telephoning (919) 829-7450.

State and Local History Featured in Newberry Conference

The Newberry Library in Chicago has announced its sponsorship, with support from the National Endowment for the Humanities, of a national conference on College Teaching of State and Local History for the next three years. Ten to fifteen fellowships will be available for college teachers wishing to spend the spring semester at the Newberry "in research, writing, or curriculum development in the field of state or local history." The first conference will be held January 13-16, 1977; applications are due November 15, 1976, for the first conference but are also available for the 1977 and 1978 conferences. Further information may be obtained by writing Richard Jensen, Family and Community History Center, Newberry Library, 60 West Walton Street, Chicago, Illinois, 60610.

Colleges and Universities

Duke University

Frances Acomb served on the program committee for the annual meeting of the American Society of Eighteenth Century Studies held in Charlottesville, Virginia, August 8-10. William Chafe, codirector of the Duke Oral History Program, delivered a paper entitled "Sex and Race: The Analogy of Social Control" at the Berkshire Conference in June. Calvin Davis is on leave, doing research in Britain and France, during the 1976-1977 academic year. Raymond Gavins's book, *The Perils and Prospects of Southern Black Leadership: Gordon Blaine Hancock, 1884-1970*, is being published by the Duke University Press. Gerald W. Hartwig is continuing in 1976-1977 as acting director of international studies. Richard Watson is chairman of the Academic Council, 1975-1977, and is vice-president and president-elect of the Southern Historical Association.

East Carolina University

Dr. Bodo Nischan, assistant professor of history, spoke at the Sixteenth Century Studies Conference in European History on "Brandenburg's Reformed Rate and the Leipzig Colloquy of 1631." He received a Fulbright grant to attend a summer seminar in German studies at Gottingen and Munich, Germany, and a grant from the American Philosophical Society to purchase German microfilm. Associate Professor Loren K. Campion's book, *As Bismarck Fell: The Restive Mind of the German Military*, was published in September by the university as the fourth volume of East Carolina University Publications in History. Professor Philip J. Adler participated in a National Endowment for the Humanities-sponsored seminar on nationalism at the University of Virginia in June and July. He recently assumed the chairmanship of the East Carolina University Faculty Senate.

Lenoir Rhyne College

Carolyn B. Huff spoke to the freshman class on September 6 on "Historically Valuable Tips." She was recipient of the Raymond M. Bost Distinguished Professor Award last May.

Meredith College

Charles Stewart joined the faculty of the Department of History in August as assistant professor.

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Mr. John Barnwell is editing a series of Civil War letters among which are typescripts for which there are no originals and no photoduplicates. He is seeking the location of the originals, dated February 12, 1861, through October 8, 1864, written by Lt. John Elliott to his mother Charlotte Elliott, his sister Esther (Hesse), and his brother Habersham. Typescripts of these are in the Southern Historical Collection. Anyone knowing the location of the originals may reach Mr. Barnwell at the Department of History of the university in Chapel Hill, 27514.

Wake Forest University

In October Dr. W. Buck Yearns received the Annual Founders Award given by the Museum of the Confederacy in Richmond.

State, County, and Local Groups

Beaufort Historical Association

The association recently purchased property on the south side of the restoration area. The buildings will be used for the expansion of the Hampton Mariners Museum, which has become a popular tourist attraction in the seaside town. Daily tours to the restoration grounds drew large attendance during the summer. This fall a membership drive is being conducted; and the president, Mrs. David Cloud, reminds prospective members that the $5.00 fee entitles them and their guests to tour Beaufort Restoration at no charge. For further information about the association, write to Mrs. Cloud at the association's headquarters, the Josiah Bell House, Turner Street, Beaufort, 28516.

Carteret Historical Research Association

Jerry C. Cashion, head of the Research Branch, Preservation Section, Division of Archives and History, spoke to the association at its August 9 meeting in Beaufort.

Catawba County Historical Museum

The cabin homeplace of pioneer Capt. Matthias Barringer was moved on a flatbed truck from its original site just southeast of the Newton city limits to a location on the grounds of the museum on South College Avenue in Newton on August 31. The cabin is thought to have been erected in 1762; its owner was scalped by the Cherokee Indians at the beginning of the Ameri-

can Revolution. A larger log house built by Barringer served as the first courthouse of Catawba County in 1843.

Chapel Hill Historical Society

On October 3 members met for a business meeting and to hear a program entitled "Herman Baity's Old Chapel Hill." Before his death in 1975 Dr. Baity had collected a large number of scenes of Chapel Hill and the university which he had made into slides, intending to use them himself in a talk to the Chapel Hill society. Mr. and Mrs. Collier Cobb, Jr., identified the persons and places in the pictures. Work was completed during the summer on *When Chapel Hill Was a Village*, by Cornelia Spencer Love. The 96-page publication includes reminiscences of events and people covering a period of fifty years. It is available for $2.50 from the society at Box 503, Chapel Hill, 27514.

Chapel Hill Preservation Society

The society is organizing an art auction to raise funds for its preservation program. It is endeavoring to "protect, preserve and conserve" historically significant buildings in and near Chapel Hill, to encourage adaptive use, and to take steps necessary to insure the protection of historic sites in the area. The auction will be held in February, and the society will announce details at a later date. Artists willing to donate works for the auction should contact Nancy S. Preston, president of the society, at Box 1242, Chapel Hill, 27514. The group's third annual Antiques Show was held September 23-24, with twenty-eight dealers exhibiting in the Carolina Inn and Wesley Foundation. In charge of planning the event were Jo Hunt and Jean Holcomb.

Clay County Historical and Arts Council

The council gave a reception honoring Guy Padgett, author of a history of the county, on September 4 in Hayesville. The author autographed copies of his work for those in attendance. The book was commissioned by the Clay County Bicentennial Committee.

David Caldwell Log College

The eighteen-acre David Caldwell Log College park was dedicated September 15, under the sponsorship of the David Caldwell Log College Corporation and the city of Greensboro. Corporation president Mrs. Carl O. Jeffress presided, and Mayor Jim Melvin welcomed those in attendance. Speaker was the director of the North Carolina Bicentennial Committee, Richard Ellis. Dr. Larry E. Tise spoke at the luncheon which followed the dedication.

Davidson County Historical Association

The association was host to the North Carolina Society of County and Local Historians August 29. Tours of historic sites included visits to Grace Episcopal Church, Old Court Square, Boone's Cave, and other significant places.

The old Davidson County Courthouse, vacant since the 1950s, has been

converted to a museum thanks to efforts of the association. Plans call for construction of a new exhibit every six months, according to Mrs. E. J. Meiere, Jr., president of the organization. The museum is open from 10:00 to 4:00 Tuesday through Friday and 2:00 to 4:00 Sunday.

Eastern Cabarrus Historical Association

An intensive five-week drive for life members was planned in August, and in conjunction therewith several special programs were held. Various exhibits on Sundays in September attracted interest in the work of the association. Life memberships, which are tax deductible, are $100.

Edgecombe County Historical Society

On October 2 a dedication ceremony was held on the Tarboro Town Common to mark completion of the restoration of the cotton press and the Philips dependency. The project was begun in the fall of 1971 under the sponsorship of the historical society and the Tarboro Redevelopment Commission. Financial assistance came from the Holderness Foundation and private donations. The cotton press was moved to Tarboro from the Norfleet Plantation in the late 1930s; it is included in the National Register of Historic Places and the Historic American Building Survey. Artifacts relating to the cultivation and harvesting of cotton are located in the pre-Civil War dependency on the grounds of the press. A tour of early structures, sponsored by the society and the Edgecombe County Bicentennial Commission, was also conducted on October 2. Six of the ten places opened for the tour are on the National Register. The Pender Museum served as tour headquarters.

The cotton press located on the Tarboro Town Common. (Photo courtesy of Edgecombe County Historical Society.)

Federation of North Carolina Historical Societies

On August 25 the Advisory Committee of the federation met in the Archives and History-State Library Building. Present were Lindley Butler, Maurice Stirewalt, John Woodard, Don Lennon, Herbert Bradshaw, Joe Matthews, Larry E. Tise, and William S. Price, Jr. The committee reviewed a draft of a proposed constitution and approved an amended version. Dr. Price announced that a newsletter would be issued in the fall; it will be sent to all local historical societies for a year and thereafter to member organi-

zations only. Dr. Tise discussed efforts to fund a historians-in-residence program whereby historians could be placed to assist local communities with their historical problems for one-year terms. Federation members would receive priority in assignment of historians. So as to encourage more local societies to join the federation, the committee voted to cut the dues in half. Societies which have paid the full rate will be continued as members for a second year without additional fees being required.

Plans were announced in September for the first annual meeting of the organization in Raleigh on Friday, November 5. Planned for the day's activities were meetings/workshops on writing and publishing local history. A social hour and banquet at the Velvet Cloak Inn were scheduled for the evening.

Gaston County Historical Society

The society and the Gaston County Bicentennial Commission sponsored a tour of the county on September 25. It began at the courthouse in Dallas and continued to more than twenty historic sites. W. N. Craig, director of the Gaston County Bicentennial Commission, was in charge of arrangements.

Halifax County Historical Association

The first fall meeting was held at the Scotfield Country Club on September 17. Wrenn Phillips of Scotland Neck was the speaker; he discussed the life of Robert Potter.

Historic Cabarrus, Inc.

Renovation of the old courthouse in Concord has been begun, and contributions to the courthouse fund have continued to be sent in. Robert L. Burrage, Jr., chairman of the finance committee, has announced that contributions are tax deductible and should be sent to Historic Cabarrus, Inc., P.O. Box 966, Concord, N.C., 28025.

Historic Hillsborough Commission

A longtime project of the commission reached a climax the afternoon of Sunday, October 10, when the Burwell School was dedicated and the mortgage burned. Speaker was Dr. Guion Griffis Johnson of Chapel Hill. The previous month, on September 11, the commission held an ABC (Attic-Basement-Cupboard) Sale at the Orange County Recreational Center in Hillsborough to raise funds for the purchase of furnishings for the restored school. Mrs. Quentin Patterson and Miss Evelyn Lloyd were cochairmen of the event.

Historic Iredell Foundation

Sponsored by the foundation, a lecture was given on September 9 at the old courthouse on South Center Street in Statesville on the identification of antiques. Speaker was Mrs. Ruth Scott, an antique appraiser and lecturer from Charlotte.

Historic Preservation Fund of North Carolina, Inc.

James A. Gray. (Photo by Coppedge Photography, Inc., Winston-Salem and High Point.)

James A. Gray was named executive director of the fund, effective September 1. The purpose is to save historic structures in danger of destruction through use of a revolving fund. A $35,000 grant from the Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation is providing for the first year's operating expenses. Mr. Gray served as executive director of the Mobile Historic Development Commission during the past year; he is a former president of Old Salem. Officers of the fund are Dr. Stephen N. Dennis of Washington, D.C., president; Thomas S. Erwin of Raleigh, vice-president; Thomas A. Gray of Winston-Salem, secretary; and Edward H. Clement of Salisbury, treasurer. Ex officio members of the Executive Committee are Dr. Larry E. Tise, director of the Division of Archives and History, and Dr. Banks C. Talley, Jr., president of the Historic Preservation Society of North Carolina, Inc. The society sponsored the new corporation.

Historic Salisbury Foundation

On August 5 the foundation celebrated placement of the old Crawford home on its new site at 402 South Fulton Street. The house and its annex were moved by McCrary Brothers movers from East Innes Street through downtown Salisbury. The foundation invited everyone who participated in the move and all "the faithful sidewalk superintendents, active or passive," to help celebrate the event. The foundation's second annual house tour was held October 2. Sites in the downtown area of Salisbury and elsewhere in Rowan County were included.

Historic Wilmington Foundation

On August 6 the superstructure of a sailing ship, the *Henry W. Adams*, docked near the foot of Ann Street in Wilmington. Built about 1930 in Nova Scotia, the vessel will be turned into a museum and will be open for tourists to see. The ship is owned by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Wright, Jr. On September 1 the Latimer House opened its doors to the public on a regular basis. The deRosset House, built by Armond J. deRosset in 1847, was purchased by the foundation several months ago. Repairs needed for preserving the structure have been undertaken. The foundation sponsored a program, "Everything You've Always Wanted to Know About Restoration—But Were Afraid to Ask," on September 30. Panelists consisted of the president of a savings and loan association, an architect, the chairman of the Historic District Commission, a contractor, a realtor, an interior decorator, and a resident of the historic district.

Kings Mountain National Military Park

Ceremonies were held October 8 to commemorate the Battle of Kings Mountain. Dedication of the newly completed visitor center was planned as

part of the program. Sponsors of the ceremonies were the governors of North Carolina and South Carolina, the bicentennial commissions of both states, the city of Kings Mountain, the secretary of the interior and director of the National Park Service. The preceding day the Overmountain Marchers arrived at 3:00; they participated in a special anniversary program of the battle.

Lower Cape Fear Historical Society

The Latimer House, constructed in 1852, was opened to visitors on September 1 with refurbishing nearly completed. Admission to the house, which is open from 10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. Wednesday through Saturday and from 2:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. on Sunday, is $1.00 for adults and 25 cents for children. Preservation of the servants' quarters is being made possible by funds realized from the "Old Wilmington by Candlelight" tour and by a $10,000 matching grant from the National Park Service. The first phase of the work began in September under the direction of Dr. Thomas A. Loftfield, archaeologist with the University of North Carolina at Wilmington.

Robert Warren, president of the society, has announced that the "Old Wilmington by Candlelight" tour will take place from 4:00 until 8:00 P.M. on December 11 and 12. Tickets, which are $5.00, may be obtained by writing "Old Wilmington by Candlelight," P.O. Box 813, Wilmington, 28401, or by telephoning (919) 762-0492. "The Wassail Bowl," another attraction, will be held at the Latimer House on December 10 from 8:00 P.M. until 10:00 P.M. Tickets, $25.00, are limited to 125 people and entitle the bearers to "a wassail, entertainment, and a ticket for the tour."

Murfreesboro Historical Association

The association, in its most recent endeavor, has undertaken a campaign to secure funds to buy the late eighteenth-century home of Dr. Walter Reed on Main Street in Murfreesboro. The house was recently offered for sale, and the association is hoping to buy and restore the structure as a tribute to Reed, a doctor who headed the United States Yellow Fever Commission at the turn of the century. The building would be adapted for use as a health care facility.

Museum of the Albemarle

A barn was added to the museum during the summer. When money ran low, the Pasquotank Historical Society donated $1,000 to the barn fund, and hours of labor were volunteered by individuals under the leadership of the Elizabeth City Moose organization.

Newton Grove Area Historical Society

The society, which was organized in February, 1975, is presently raising money to move into town and restore the Archibald Monk house (ca. 1835). Monk was a prominent Whig leader and educator who for nearly forty years served as Sampson County's chairman of the board of county superintendents for common schools. This project has been undertaken as the society's major activity in preparation for Newton Grove's centennial in March, 1979.

Money is being raised, among other ways, through the sale of pieces of the last oak tree from the grove which gave the town its name. Current officers of the society are Albert Herring, president; Whit Wilson, vice-president; Blonnie Warren, secretary; and Edith Rose, treasurer.

North Carolina Presbyterian Historical Society

The fall meeting and tour in Scotland County was under the direction of the society's president, former governor Robert W. Scott. St. Andrews Presbyterian College served as headquarters when the society met on October 6-7. Dr. Frontis Johnston, vice-president, from Davidson College, was the featured speaker at the dinner meeting on the sixth. Various sites in Scotland County were toured the next day. Those interested in joining the society should send $3.00 per person or $5.00 per family to the secretary at P.O. Box 10785, Raleigh, N.C., 27605.

Old Salem

The Kresge Foundation of Troy, Michigan, granted $100,000 to the Old Salem '76 Fund which put Old Salem's capital campaign over the top of its $2,850,458 goal. It is anticipated that additional pledges and gifts will bring the total to nearly $3 million this fall. The Kresge Foundation money will be used for the Single Brothers Workshop project, which includes reconstruction of the 1771 workshop. The exterior of the building will be authentic, and the interior will be adapted as a learning center. An earlier R. J. Reynolds Industries, Inc., grant will also be used for this project. Reconstruction of the workshop will begin in 1977.

The 1802 Benjamin Vierling House will be restored in the capital funds campaign in memory of Ralph P. Hanes and in honor of Mrs. DeWitt C. Hanes.

Left, 1771 Single Brothers Workshop; right, 1802 Benjamin Vierling House. Illustrations courtesy of Thomas A. Gray, development director, Old Salem.)

Pasquotank Historical Society

Dr. Parker Chesson, president of the College of the Albemarle, spoke at the September meeting. His topic was "Benjamin Franklin, Scientific

Patriot." Announcement was made of plans for the annual banquet in November, with Dr. Helen Hill Miller, author of *George Mason: Gentleman Revolutionary*, as speaker. President Gerald White outlined plans for the annual Christmas lovefeast, which is sponsored by the society.

Pender County Historical Society

The society met September 19 in the Pender County Library to hear Mr. John D. Ellington, administrator of the North Carolina Museum of History, discuss the practical aspects of planning and building a museum. Terry Mize is president of the Pender organization.

Railroad House Historical Association

The association met September 13 to map out plans for the coming year. Hal Siler, president, presided over the business session. Florence Robinson, treasurer, reported that the organization was in sound financial condition, and it was decided to ask several new directors to serve on the board.

Reynolda House

Included in fall courses offered at Reynolda House is Dr. Cyclone Covey's "The Ancient World." Four course credits at Wake Forest University are given to those who complete the course.

Swansboro Historical Association

In recent months the association has sponsored a dedication ceremony at the unveiling of the highway historical marker to Col. John Starkey (1697-1765), North Carolina's treasurer from 1750 to 1765 and a member of the legislature; has presented to Onslow County a replica of the 1860 Cavalry flag; and has voted to place its artifact and museum collection on indefinite loan with the county museum and its archives and manuscript collection on indefinite loan with the Division of Archives and History in Raleigh. Officers are the Rev. Tucker R. Littleton, president; Roger E. Kammerer, Jr., vice-president; Mrs. Louise T. Passingham, secretary; Dr. H. J. Dudley, treasurer; and Mrs. Daisy S. Moore, Mrs. Letha S. Baucom, Mr. Louie F. Hargett, and Mr. Littleton and Dr. Dudley, directors.

Warren County Historical Association

Jerry Cashion, head of the Research Branch, Preservation Section, Division of Archives and History, spoke to the association's members at Buck Spring, home of Nathaniel Macon, on August 22. Mrs. Henry F. Twitty, president, presided, welcomed guests, and introduced Macon descendants. Richard E. Hunter, program chairman, introduced Mr. Cashion and Mrs. James P. Beckwith, president of the Warren County Historical Society, Inc., who discussed the restoration project carried out at the site. A picnic preceded Mr. Cashion's address.

Wayne County Historical Society

Bob Johnson, president of the society, recently sent a letter to the Wayne County commissioners asking for help in preserving and restoring the Isaac

Dortch law offices. The suggestion was made that the structure might be used as a temporary office for new industries in Wayne County. The law offices are in a building located near the county courthouse.

Western North Carolina Historical Association

At the October 23 meeting in Burnsville, Mr. Grady Bailey reviewed the history of Yancey County. Earlier that month, on the second, the association in cooperation with Asheville-Buncombe Technical Institute and the Division of Archives and History sponsored the fourth annual Oktoberfest Symposium. Featured were the Mountain Heritage Fair at the Smith-McDowell House; a discussion of the transformation of political processes from 1776 to 1976, by Drs. Richard Bardolph and Gene Rainey; the Thomas Wolfe Literary Award Banquet, with Dr. William Highsmith, chancellor of the University of North Carolina at Asheville, as speaker; and the sound and light show at the Thomas Wolfe Memorial State Historic Site.

Questions from the Mail

Q. Where can I get a copy of a marriage license issued in 1912?

A. Records of marriages after 1868 remain in the custody of the register of deeds of the county in which the license was issued.

Q. What is the holiday schedule for the Museum of History and the Search Room of the State Archives?

A. Both the Museum of History and the Search Room will be closed on Thanksgiving day, November 25; Christmas holidays, December 23 through 26; and New Year's holidays, December 31 through January 2. The Museum of History, regularly closed on Monday, will not reopen after Christmas until December 28 and after New Year's until January 4.

Calendar of Scheduled Events

November 30-December 4, Culture Week, Hilton Inn, Hillsborough Street, Raleigh

"Month of Sundays," each Sunday at 3:00, Museum of History will feature "Hollywood Comedy with W. C. Fields":
November 7, *Sad Clowns* and *Slapstick*
November 14, *The Barber Shop*, *The Big Thumb*, *California Bound*, and *Circus Slicker*
November 21, *The Dentist*, *The Great McGonigle*, *Hurry, Hurry*, and *If I Had a Million*
November 28, *The Fatal Glass of Beer*, *The Great Chase*, and *The Pharmacist*
December 5, 12, and 19 will feature holiday presentations

December 9-10, Genealogical Workshop, State Archives (see story on pages 110-111)

December 11-12, "Old Wilmington by Candlelight," sponsored by Lower Cape Fear Historical Society

May 23-27, Archives Institute for Advanced Researchers (to be limited to twenty-five participants; requests to be put on mailing list for brochure are now being accepted)

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Note--The following abbreviations were used in this index:

A&H	Division of Archives and History
A&T	Agricultural and Technical State University
AASLH	American Association for State and Local History
AAUW	American Association of University Women
AHA	American Historical Association
AHENC	Association of Historians in Eastern North Carolina
AIA	American Institute of Architects
FNCHS	Federation of North Carolina Historical Societies
HPFNC	Historic Preservation Fund of North Carolina, Inc.
HPSNC	Historic Preservation Society of North Carolina
HSNC	Historical Society of North Carolina
IAH	Institute of Applied History
NCAS	North Carolina Art Society
NCFMC	North Carolina Federation of Music Clubs
NCFS	North Carolina Folklore Society
NCGS	North Carolina Genealogical Society
NCL&HA	North Carolina Literary and Historical Association
NCMC	North Carolina Museums Council
NCPHS	North Carolina Presbyterian Historical Society
NCPS	North Carolina Poetry Society
NCSCLH	North Carolina Society of County and Local Historians
NCSU	North Carolina State University
NEH	National Endowment for the Humanities
NHS	Northeastern Historical Society
NNCHA	Northwest North Carolina Historical Association
RIHA	Roanoke Island Historical Association
SAR	Sons of the American Revolution
SHA	Southern Historical Association
SHC	Southern Historical Collection
UNC-C	University of North Carolina at Charlotte
UNC-CH	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
UNC-G	University of North Carolina at Greensboro
WCU	Western Carolina University
WNCHA	Western North Carolina Historical Association
WSSU	Winston-Salem State University

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